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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Re: Synthetic Lease Financing of Railcars
AEP Energy Services, Inc. - Lessee
American Electric Power Company, Inc. - Guarantor

Dear Mr. Williams:

I am enclosing for recording pursuant to Section 11301 of Title 49 of the United States Code, two copies of the primary document described below. As an attorney representing one of the parties in this transaction, I have knowledge of the matters described in this letter.

The primary document is as follows:

Railcar Lease and Security Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2003, between BTM Capital Corporation, as Lessor (the "*Lessor*"), and AEP Energy Services, Inc., as Lessee (the "*Lessee*").

The names and addresses of the parties to the enclosed document are as follows:

RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

Lessor: BTM Capital Corporation
111 Huntington Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02199

Lessee: AEP Energy Services, Inc.
c/o American Electric Power Service Corporation
1 Riverside Plaza
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The description of the Equipment covered as of the date hereof by the aforesaid Railcar Lease and Security Agreement is as set forth on Exhibit A hereto.

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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
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A fee of thirty dollars (\$30.00) is enclosed. Please time and date stamp the enclosed copy of the enclosed document along with the extra copy of this letter as proof of filing and recordation of the enclosed document and return the original and any extra copies of such document and this letter not needed by the Board for recordation to:

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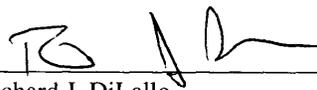
A short summary of the document to appear in the index follows:

“RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT, dated as of June 1, 2003, covering the new railroad rolling stock bearing the road numbers listed in the exhibit thereto.”

If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at (312) 845-3405.

Sincerely,

CHAPMAN AND CUTLER

By  _____
Richard J. DiLallo

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Enclosures

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EXHIBIT A

| Description | Number of Cars | Marks | Car Numbers |
|---------------------------|----------------|-------|----------------------|
| New Aluminum BethGon cars | 268 | COEH | 5708-5975, Inclusive |

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RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

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Dated as of June 1, 2003

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

Between

BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION,

as Lessor

And

AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC.,

as Lessee

This Lease and Security Agreement ("*Lease*") has been executed in several counterparts. To the extent, if any, that this Lease constitutes chattel paper (as such term is defined in the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in any applicable jurisdiction), no security interest in this Lease may be created through the transfer or possession of any counterpart hereof other than the "*Counterpart No. 1*". This Counterpart is Counterpart No. 2 of 8. Certain rights of Lessor under this Lease have been assigned as security to, and are subject to a security interest in favor of Wilmington Trust Company, as Security Trustee under the Security Agreement-Trust Deed dated as of the date hereof between Lessor and the Security Trustee, for the benefit of the holders of the Notes referred to therein.

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Annex 1 — Definitions

EXHIBITS

- A — Description of Equipment
- B — Lease and Security Agreement Supplement No. _____
- C — Schedule of Rent
- D — Schedule of Acquisition Price, Stipulated Loss Value, Termination
Amounts, Lessee Obligation and Lessor Residual Amount

RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

THIS RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT dated as of June 1, 2003 (the "*Lease*"), by and between BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation (the "*Lessor*"), and AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC., an Ohio corporation (the "*Lessee*").

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the parties hereto agree as follows:

SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Lease, capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings assigned to them in **Annex 1** hereto, as the same may be amended from time to time (such definitions to be equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of the terms defined). Any term defined by reference to an agreement, instrument or other document shall have the meaning so assigned to it whether or not such document is in effect. Unless otherwise indicated, references without qualification in this Lease to sections, paragraphs, clauses, appendices, schedules and exhibits are to the same contained in or attached to this Lease.

SECTION 2. AGREEMENT FOR LEASE OF EQUIPMENT.

Subject to, and upon all of the terms and conditions of this Lease, Lessor hereby agrees to finance and lease to Lessee and Lessee hereby agrees to accept such financing and lease from Lessor each Item of Equipment for the Lease Term.

SECTION 3. DELIVERY AND ACCEPTANCE OF EQUIPMENT.

Lessor shall not be liable to Lessee for any failure or delay in obtaining any Item of Equipment or making delivery thereof. Upon execution and delivery of a Lease Supplement substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B** by Lessor and Lessee, the Items described therein shall be deemed to have been delivered to and accepted by Lessee as agent for Lessor under the Acquisition Agreement and for all purposes of this Lease, and thereupon shall be subject to all of the terms, provisions and conditions of this Lease.

Lessee's execution and delivery of a Lease Supplement shall be evidence that the Items of Equipment listed therein have been subjected to this Lease on the terms hereof. Lessee's execution and delivery of a Lease Supplement with respect to an Item of Equipment pursuant to this **Section 3** shall conclusively establish that, as between Lessor and Lessee, but without limiting or otherwise affecting Lessor's or Lessee's rights, if any, against any other Person, such Item of Equipment is acceptable to and irrevocably accepted by Lessee under the Lease, notwithstanding any defect with respect to design, manufacture, condition or any other matter or the failure of any such Item of Equipment to comply to the specifications applicable thereto or to all applicable United States Department of Transportation and STB requirements and specifications, if any, or to all standards recommended by the AAR applicable to railroad

equipment of the character of the Equipment as of the date hereof, and that, as between Lessor and Lessee, such Item of Equipment is in good order and condition.

SECTION 4. LEASE TERM.

The interim term (the "*Interim Term*") for each Item of Equipment shall commence on the Acceptance Date for such Item of Equipment and shall terminate at the end of the day on December 16, 2003 unless this Lease is sooner terminated with respect to such Item pursuant to the provisions hereof. The basic term (the "*Basic Term*") for each Item of Equipment shall commence on December 17, 2003 (the "*Basic Term Commencement Date*") for such Item and, unless this Lease is sooner terminated with respect to such Item (or all Equipment) pursuant to **Section 15** or **18** hereof, shall terminate on June 17, 2008. If not sooner terminated pursuant to the provisions hereof, the Lease Term for each Item of Equipment shall end on the last day of the Basic Term thereof, or if this Lease is renewed pursuant to **Section 26.1** hereof, on the last day of the last Renewal Term thereof.

SECTION 5. [INTENTIONALLY OMITTED.]

SECTION 6. RENT.

(a) *Interim Rent.* Lessee hereby agrees to pay Interim Rent ("*Interim Rent*") to Lessor for the use by Lessee of each Item of Equipment during the Interim Term in one installment payable on the Basic Term Commencement in an amount equal to the aggregate amount indicated on Schedule 2 to each Lease Supplement delivered on a Closing Date. Interim Rent, based on the dates and amounts set forth in Schedule 4 to the Participation Agreement, is expected to be \$1,368,384.01. Lessee and Lessor agree to recalculate the Interim Rent due on the Basic Term Commencement should the actual funding dates and/or amounts differ from the funding dates and/or amounts detailed in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

(b) *Fixed Rent.* Lessee hereby agrees to pay Fixed Rent to Lessor for the use by Lessee of each Item of Equipment during the Basic Term, in consecutive semiannual installments, in arrears, due and payable on each Rent Payment Date and continuing until the expiration or earlier termination of the Basic Term, with each such installment to be in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying (i) the Acquisition Price of such Item of Equipment by (ii) the applicable percentages set forth in **Exhibit C** attached hereto. Lessee hereby agrees to pay Fixed Rent to Lessor for each Item of Equipment during each Renewal Term thereof as specified in **Section 26.1(c)** hereof.

(c) *Supplemental Rent.* Lessee also agrees to pay to Lessor, or to whomever shall be entitled thereto, all Supplemental Rent, as the same shall become due and owing. Lessee shall also pay to Lessor (and, in the case of payments of Supplemental Rent payable to other Persons hereunder, such other Persons) on demand, as Supplemental Rent, and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, interest at the Late Rate on any part of any installment of Fixed Rent or any amount due under **Section 19** hereof not paid when due at or prior to the time specified for such payment for any period for which the same shall be overdue and on any payment of

Supplemental Rent payable to the Noteholders or the Security Trustee and not paid when due for the period from the due date thereof until the same shall be paid and at a rate per annum equal to the Late Rate on any payment of Supplemental Rent payable to Lessor and not paid when due for the period from the due date thereof until the same shall be paid. The payment or satisfaction of Lessee's obligation with respect to Fixed Rent or any installment thereof shall not limit any obligation of Lessee which may have accrued during the Lease Term with respect to Supplemental Rent. In the event of any failure on the part of Lessee to pay any such Supplemental Rent hereunder, Lessor shall have all rights, powers and remedies provided for herein or by law or equity or otherwise in the case of nonpayment of Rent.

(d) *Method of Payment.* All payments of Fixed Rent and Supplemental Rent required to be made by Lessee to Lessor shall be made by 12:00 noon, Wilmington, DE time on the date payment is due in United States dollars and in immediately available funds. If any such date is not a Business Day, then payment shall be due on the next succeeding Business Day and if paid on such Business Day by 12:00 noon, Wilmington, DE time, such payment shall be without interest or penalty. In the event of any assignment pursuant to **Section 13(b)** hereof, all payments or right to payments which are properly assigned thereunder, whether Fixed Rent, Supplemental Rent or otherwise, shall be paid to such address as shall be designated by Lessor and any such assignee. All payments of Rent shall be paid by Lessee to Lessor at its office at BTM Capital Corporation, c/o Fleet Bank of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts, ABA No. 011-000-390 for the account of BTM Capital Corporation, Account No. 521-11235, reference 2003-A AEP Energy Services, or as Lessor may otherwise direct from time to time in writing; *provided*, that so long as the Security Agreement shall not have been discharged pursuant to Section 11.4 thereof, Lessor hereby directs, and Lessee agrees, that all payments of Rent and all other amounts payable to Lessor hereunder shall be paid directly to the Security Trustee at Wilmington Trust Company, ABA No. 031-100-092, Account No. 61566-0; AEP Energy Services, Inc., Attn: Corporate Capital Market Services, its office at Wilmington Trust Company, as Security Trustee, Rodney Square North, 1100 North Market Street, Wilmington, DE 19890-0001, Attn: Corporate Trust Administration or as the Security Trustee may otherwise direct, at such time so as to be received by the Security Trustee prior to 12:00 noon, Wilmington, Delaware time on the date of payment.

(e) *Minimum Payments.* Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Operative Agreement, in all events and irrespective of any adjustment thereto, (i) each installment of aggregate Interim Rent and Fixed Rent payable with respect to all Items of Equipment then subject to this Lease on the Basic Term Commencement Date and each Rent Payment Date, as the case may be, shall be at least equal to the aggregate amount of principal and accrued interest due and payable on such date in respect of all Notes then outstanding and (ii) each payment of Stipulated Loss Value and Termination Amount (when added to all other amounts required to be paid by Lessee under this Lease, including, without limitation, Supplemental Rent, in respect of any Event of Loss or, as the case may be, termination of this Lease) shall be at least equal to an amount sufficient, as of the date of payment, to pay in full the principal of and Make-Whole Amount, if any, and interest on all Notes due under the Security Agreement on account of such Event of Loss or termination, as the case may be.

SECTION 7. NET LEASE.

This Lease is a net lease and Lessee acknowledges and agrees that Lessee's obligations hereunder shall be absolute and unconditional under any and all circumstances and shall be paid without notice or demand and without any abatement, reduction, suspension, diminution, deferral, setoff, defense, counterclaim or recoupment whatsoever, including, without limitation, any abatement, reduction, suspension, diminution, deferral, setoff, defense, counterclaim or recoupment due or alleged to be due to, or by reason of, any past, present or future claims which Lessee may have against Lessor, any assignee, Security Trustee, any vendor or manufacturer of the Equipment or any part or Item thereof, the holders from time to time of the Notes, or any other Person, either under this Lease or otherwise, for any reason whatsoever; nor, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, shall this Lease terminate, or the obligations of Lessee be otherwise affected for any reason whatsoever, including any defect in or damage to or loss of possession or loss of use or destruction of the Equipment or any part or Item thereof, the condition, design, operation or fitness for use thereof, any Liens or rights of others with respect to the Equipment or any part or Item thereof, any prohibition or interruption of or other restriction against Lessee's use, operation or possession of the Equipment or any part or Item thereof, or any interference with such use, operation or possession by any Person or entity (including confiscation, requisition or other taking by any governmental authority, any Person acting under governmental authority or otherwise, or action of any public or private Person, whether by eviction by paramount title or for any other reason whatsoever), the invalidity or unenforceability or lack of due authorization of this Lease, or any other Operative Agreement, any defect in the title to, compliance with plans or specifications for all or any of the Items of Equipment, any insolvency of or any bankruptcy, reorganization or other proceeding against Lessee, Lease Guarantor, Lessor, Security Trustee, any Noteholder or any other Person, or for any other cause whether similar or dissimilar to the foregoing, any present or future law to the contrary notwithstanding, it being the intention and agreement of the parties hereto, and the basis of the bargain, that (to the extent permitted by applicable law) Interim Rent, Fixed Rent, Supplemental Rent and other amounts payable by Lessee hereunder shall continue to be payable in all events in the manner and at the times herein provided unless and until the obligation to pay the same shall be terminated pursuant to the express provisions of this Lease (in the case of any return of the Equipment to Lessor, any Item of Equipment shall not be deemed to have been returned to Lessor's possession until all of Lessee's obligations with respect to the return thereof have been performed). To the extent permitted by Applicable Law, Lessee hereby waives any and all rights which it may now have or which at any time hereafter may be conferred upon it, by statute or otherwise, to terminate, cancel, quit or surrender this Lease of any of the Items of Equipment except in accordance with the express terms hereof. Each Interim Rent, Fixed Rent, Supplemental Rent or other payment made by Lessee hereunder shall be final and Lessee shall not seek to recover all or any part of such payment (except for any excess payment made in error) from Lessor, Security Trustee, or any Noteholder for any reason whatsoever.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Lessee covenants that it will remain obligated under this Lease in accordance with its terms, and will not take any action to terminate (except in accordance with the express provisions hereof), rescind or avoid this Lease for any reason, notwithstanding any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or other proceeding affecting Lessor, Security Trustee or any Noteholder or any property of Lessor, Security Trustee or any

Noteholder, or any action which may be taken by any receiver, trustee or liquidator (or other similar official) or by any court.

Nothing in this Section or in any other provision of this Lease shall preclude any separate, independent claim (not by way of abatement or reduction of any amount at any time payable by Lessee hereunder) by Lessee for the breach of any representation, covenant, undertaking or agreement made herein and in any other Operative Agreement for the benefit of Lessee by Lessor.

SECTION 8. CHARACTERIZATION; GRANT OF SECURITY INTEREST.

(a) It is the intention of the parties hereto that Lessee shall treat this Lease, for accounting purposes only, as an operating lease, and for purposes of Federal, state and local income tax, and commercial law and bankruptcy, insolvency, conservatorship, receivership and UCC purposes, including the substantive law upon which such bankruptcy, insolvency, conservatorship and receivership proceedings are based), it is the intention of the parties hereto that (i) this Lease, the Lease Supplements and the Sublease Assignment shall be treated as a security agreement (the or this "*Lessee Security Agreement*") from Lessee, as debtor, to Lessor, as secured party, and that Lessee, as debtor, hereby grants to Lessor, as secured party, a security interest in the Lessee Collateral, (ii) the Security Agreement shall secure the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, (iii) all payments of Interim Rent, Fixed Rent and Supplemental Rent shall be treated as payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on the Secured Obligations, and all payments of Stipulated Loss Value, Termination Amount, Lease Balance and Lessee Obligation shall be treated as payment of principal of the Secured Obligations, (iv) Lessee shall be treated as entitled to all benefits and burdens of ownership of the Equipment, (v) Lessor shall have all of the rights, powers and remedies of a secured party available under Applicable Law to take possession of and sell (whether by judicial foreclosure, power of sale or otherwise) the Lessee Collateral, (vi) the effective date of this Lessee Security Agreement will be the date hereof, (vii) the reference to this **Section 8** in each Lease Supplement shall be deemed to be the recording of the Lessee Security Agreement and (viii) Lessor shall be treated as having advanced funds to Lessee in the form of a loan secured by a Lien on the Items of Equipment and the other Lessee Collateral. Without limiting the foregoing, Lessee acknowledges that Lessor is concurrently with the grant of the security interest pursuant to this **Section 8** entering into the Security Agreement pursuant to which Lessor is assigning and granting a security interest in the Collateral, including, without limitation, the Lessee Collateral, to all of which and to the terms of such Security Agreement Lessee unconditionally agrees, with the effect and result that the Security Trustee, as collateral assignee of the Lessor, is and shall be treated as the secured party having a first priority, perfected security interest in and Lien on the Items of Equipment and the other Lessee Collateral, free and clear of all Liens other than Permitted Liens. Except as otherwise provided by law or in connection with a settlement, compromise or adjudication made under the provisions of Section 19 of the Lease, each of the parties to this Lease agrees that it will not at any time, take any action or fail to take any action with respect to the filing of any income tax return, including an amended income tax return, inconsistent with the intention of the parties expressed in this **Section 8**.

(b) *Legal and Tax Representation.* Lessee acknowledges and agrees that none of Lessor, Security Trustee, nor any Noteholder has made any representations and warranties concerning the tax, accounting or legal characteristics of this Lease and that Lessee has obtained and relied on such tax, accounting and legal advice regarding this Lease and the other Operative Agreements as it deems appropriate.

SECTION 9. USE OF EQUIPMENT; COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS.

Lessee shall pay all costs, expenses, fees and charges incurred in connection with the use and operation of the Equipment during the lease thereof. Lessee agrees that the Equipment will be used and operated solely in the regular course of its business and in compliance with all statutes, laws, ordinances, rules and regulations of any Federal, state or local governmental body, agency or authority applicable to the use and operation of the Equipment. If such laws or rules require any alteration, replacement or addition of or to any part on any Item of Equipment, Lessee will conform therewith at its own expense. Lessee agrees not to operate or locate any Item of Equipment, or to suffer any Item of Equipment to be operated or located, in any area excluded from coverage by any insurance policy required by the terms of **Section 16** hereof or to operate or locate any Item of Equipment in such a manner as to violate the terms of any insurance policy required by the terms of said **Section 16**, except in the case of a requisition for use by the United States Government where Lessee (or any sublessee) has obtained, prior to the operation or location of the Item of Equipment in such area, indemnification or insurance in lieu of such indemnification from the United States Government against the risks and in the amounts required by, and in compliance with, **Section 16** hereof covering such area.

Lessee shall procure and maintain in effect all licenses, registrations, certificates, permits, approvals and consents required by Federal, state or local laws or by any governmental body, agency or authority in connection with the use and operation of each Item of Equipment, including any instruments required by the AAR. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, however, Lessee will cause this Lease and/or a Lease Supplement and the Security Agreement and/or a Security Agreement Supplement to be filed and recorded with the STB in accordance with 49 U.S.C. §11301, and will do and perform any other act and will prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver, file, register, record (and will refile, reregister, deposit and redeposit or rerecord whenever required) this Lease and any and all amendments or supplements to this Lease, or otherwise with respect to or including any other Operative Agreement, in connection with any assignment or sublease pursuant to **Section 13(a)** or otherwise, any financing statements or similar instruments, and any and all further instruments required by the AAR or any law or reasonably requested by Lessor, for the purpose of protecting Lessor's title to any Item of Equipment to the satisfaction of Lessor and Lessor's counsel or for the purpose of carrying out the intention of this Lease, including, without limitation, any such filings and recordings as shall be necessary to evidence any change in name of Lessee or Lessor, or any merger or consolidation thereof. Lessee will pay all costs, charges and expenses incident to any such filing, refiling, recording and re-recording or depositing and re-depositing of any such instruments or incident to the taking of such action. This Lease and/or a Lease Supplement and the Security Agreement and/or a Security Agreement Supplement shall be filed and recorded with the STB prior to the delivery and acceptance hereunder of any Item.

The Equipment will at all times during the Lease Term be and remain in the possession and control of Lessee, subject to the terms of **Section 13(a)** hereof. Lessee shall not permit any Item of Equipment to be operated, used or located outside of the United States, Canada or Mexico; *provided, however*, that (a) no more than 25% in the aggregate of the Items of Equipment may be operated, used or located in Mexico at any one time, and then only subject to the limitations of the following clauses (b) and (c) of this **Section 9**, (b) no Item of Equipment shall be operated, used or located in Mexico pursuant to any written agreement or other arrangement relating to dedicated use in Mexico, but rather only on an incidental basis therein, and (c) Lessee shall, at its sole cost and expense, cause all filings, recordings, deposits, or giving of notice necessary to protect the rights of Lessor and the Security Trustee in or to this Lease and the Items of Equipment located in Mexico to be made promptly if and when a central filing system is established in Mexico for the filing or recording of security interests and/or ownership rights in railroad rolling stock becomes available (which filing system is intended to provide substantially the same protection to secured creditors as the STB filing system) and Lessee shall advise Lessor and the Security Trustee in reasonable detail of the completion of such filings, recordings, deposits or giving of notice, as the case may be. Lessee shall not use and will not permit any other Person to use any Equipment or allow the same to be used for any unlawful purpose. Lessee shall use and operate the Equipment or cause it to be used and operated only by personnel authorized by Lessee, and Lessee shall use every reasonable precaution to prevent loss or damage to each Item of Equipment from fire and other hazards. Lessee shall use the Equipment only in the manner for which it was designed and intended and so as to subject it only to ordinary wear and tear; *provided*, that Lessee shall not, except with respect to the transportation of coal, use the Equipment and shall not permit the Equipment to be used to transport or store hazardous or toxic substances or materials or other substances or materials containing or contaminated by hazardous or toxic substances or materials.

SECTION 10. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT.

Lessee shall, at all times during the Lease Term and at its own expense, (a) keep the Equipment in satisfactory repair, condition and working order consistent with accepted industry practice, and as otherwise may be required by any insurance policies maintained pursuant to **Section 16** or to enforce warranty claims against each vendor and manufacturer of each Item of Equipment, ordinary wear and tear excepted; (b) maintain the Equipment in accordance with all standards, specifications and regulations then in effect of the Federal Railroad Administration and AAR under the Interchange Rules or similar successor guidelines (the "*Interchange Rules*"), and at least equal to the standards of maintenance which Lessee performs on similar equipment owned or leased by Lessee; and (c) comply with all requirements of law applicable to the maintenance and condition of the Equipment.

SECTION 11. REPLACEMENTS; ALTERATIONS; MODIFICATIONS.

Lessee shall, at its sole expense, promptly make all alterations, modifications, additions or attachments required by applicable laws and required or deemed necessary by any Federal, state or local governmental agency for the continued usefulness of the Equipment. Lessee may, at its sole expense, make other alterations, modifications, additions or attachments to the Equipment so long as the value, utility and remaining economic useful life of the Equipment is

not reduced thereby and so long as such alterations, modifications, additions or attachments do not cause such Items to become a limited use property within the meaning of Revenue Procedure 76-30, 1976-2 C.B. 647 (or such other successor tax provision). So long as no Lease Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and so long as the value, utility and remaining economic useful life of the Equipment (exclusive of any such alterations, modifications, additions or attachments) is not reduced thereby, any such alteration, modification, addition or attachment, which was paid for by Lessee and not reimbursed or otherwise compensated for by Lessor shall, subject to the last two sentences of this **Section 11**, remain the property of Lessee and may be removed by Lessee prior to return of the Equipment pursuant to **Section 5** hereof. If any alteration, modification, addition or attachment to an Item of Equipment (a) is a replacement of existing parts constituting part of the Items of Equipment, (b) was made in the course of ordinary and proper maintenance of the Items of Equipment, (c) is required by Federal, state or local law in order to permit the continued usefulness of the Equipment, or (d) cannot physically be removed without unrepaired damage to the Equipment, it shall immediately and without further act become the property of Lessor, and shall be subject to all the terms of this Lease. Upon termination of this Lease, Lessor shall have the option to purchase from Lessee any alterations, modifications, additions or attachments to any Item of Equipment not described in the preceding sentence at the Fair Market Value of such alterations, modifications, additions or attachments, as the case may be.

SECTION 12. IDENTIFICATION MARKS; INSPECTION.

(a) Lessee agrees, at Lessee's cost and expense, to place markings on the Equipment by stencil or by a metal tag or plate affixed thereto showing Lessor's security interest and the assignment thereof to Security Trustee; *provided, however*, that such identification markings are to be placed so as not to interfere with the usefulness and utility of such Item of Equipment. If during the Lease Term any such identification marking shall be defaced or destroyed, Lessee shall cause such defaced or destroyed identification marking to be restored or replaced. Lessee will cause each Item of Equipment to be kept numbered with the road number and serial number as shall be set forth in any Lease Supplement hereto extending this Lease to cover such Item of Equipment. Lessee shall not allow the name of any other Person to be placed on any Item of Equipment as a designation that might be identified as a claim of ownership or any other interest therein; *provided*, that nothing herein contained shall prohibit Lessee or its permitted sublessees from placing its customary colors and insignia on any Item of Equipment or from naming each Item of Equipment. Lessee will not change the identification number of any Item of Equipment unless and until (i) a statement of a new number or numbers to be substituted therefor shall have been delivered to Security Trustee and Lessor and filed, recorded and deposited by Lessee in all appropriate public offices, including the public offices where this Lease and/or a Lease Supplement and the Security Agreement and/or a Security Agreement Supplement shall have been filed, recorded and deposited, and (ii) Lessee shall have furnished Lessor and Security Trustee an opinion of counsel in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to them to the effect that such statement has been so filed, recorded and deposited and that such filing, recordation and deposit will protect Lessor's interest in such Items of Equipment and the assignment thereof to the Security Trustee under the Security Agreement.

(b) Upon the reasonable request of Lessor or Security Trustee, Lessee shall make the Equipment available to Lessor or Security Trustee for inspection and shall also make Lessee's records pertaining to the Equipment reasonably available to Lessor or Security Trustee for inspection (it being understood and agreed that neither Lessor nor Security Trustee shall have any obligation to make such inspection and shall incur no liability for failure to do so); *provided* that prior to the occurrence of a Lease Default or Lease Event of Default, Lessor (or any Person appointed thereby) and Security Trustee (or any Person appointed thereby) may not exercise its rights pursuant to this **Section 12(b)** more than once in any fiscal year, with any such frequency of visitation and inspection pursuant hereto following the occurrence and continuance of a Lease Default or Lease Event of Default not to be limited as to the frequency thereof. During the continuance of a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default, such inspection shall be at Lessee's expense.

SECTION 13. ASSIGNMENTS AND SUBLEASES.

(a) *By Lessee.* (i) Lessee will not, without the prior written consent of Lessor and Security Trustee, assign its lease of any Item of Equipment, or transfer or encumber its rights or obligations hereunder, and any attempted assignment, transfer or encumbering by Lessee shall be null and void.

(ii) Lessee will not sublease any Item of Equipment, except on the terms hereinafter set forth:

(1) Lessee may sublease all, but not less than all, of the Equipment to Burlington Northern Santa Fe pursuant to the BNSF Sublease, as in effect on the date hereof; *provided* that Lessee shall not amend, or extend the term of, the BNSF Sublease without the prior consent of Lessor, Noteholders and Security Trustee;

(2) Lessee may, without the prior written consent of Lessor and Security Trustee, operate any of the Items of Equipment at one or more Affiliates of Lessee, *provided* that such operation shall be subject to the terms expressed in this Lease; and

(3) Lessee may sublease any of the Items of Equipment to one or more Persons not an Affiliate of Lessee; *provided* that (A) Lessee shall provide written notice of such sublease to Lessor and Security Trustee within five (5) days of the date of execution and delivery of such sublease, which notice shall include a representation by Lessee that such sublease complies with the terms of this **Section 13(a)(ii)(3)**, (B) each such sublease shall by its express terms be subject and subordinate to this Lease, (C) each such sublease shall not extend beyond the Basic Term or the then applicable Renewal Term, and (D) not less than 75 of the Items of Equipment shall be the subject of any such sublease, except for subleases of thirty (30) days or less, in which case no limit will be applied; *provided* that no such sublease of thirty (30) days or less shall be renewed or extended unless the limits set forth in this **Section 13(a)(ii)(3)(D)** shall have been satisfied. Without limiting the foregoing, Lessee shall provide a true, correct and complete copy of any such sublease to Lessor and Security Trustee.

(iii) Anything contained in clauses (i) or (ii) of this **Section 13(a)** to the contrary notwithstanding, Lessee may, so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, permit the use of Items of Equipment upon connecting or other carriers in the usual interchange of traffic or pursuant to run-through agreements on customary terms.

(iv) Lessee's obligations hereunder shall continue in full force and effect as the obligations of a principal and not of a surety irrespective of any sublease. Each sublease permitted by this paragraph shall be expressly subject and subordinate to all of the provisions of this Lease and to the rights and remedies of Security Trustee under the Security Agreement and Lessor under this Lease in respect of the Items of Equipment covered by such sublease and shall provide that the Equipment which is subject to such sublease shall be maintained and operated upon terms and conditions substantially similar to the terms and conditions relating to operation and maintenance of the Equipment as are contained herein.

Lessee shall pay all out-of-pocket costs and expenses of Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders in connection with any such sublease.

(b) *Transfers by Lessor.* (i) Lessor shall not be entitled to transfer its interest in this Lease other than the assignment for collateral security purposes of this Lease by Lessor to Security Trustee pursuant to the Security Agreement (to which assignment Lessee consents by its execution hereof), except in compliance with Section 3.6(d) of the Participation Agreement. No such transfer by Lessor shall interfere with Lessee's rights under this Lease with respect to Lessee's use of the Items of Equipment. Lessee shall provide such information concerning the location of the Equipment as Lessor may reasonably request in connection with any such transfer.

(ii) Lessee hereby acknowledges and consents to the security interest and other rights and interests granted to Security Trustee pursuant to the Security Agreement. Such notice is hereby given of the assignment of this Lease and all Rent and other payments to be made to Lessor hereunder to Security Trustee under and pursuant to the Security Agreement, and Lessee agrees to make all payments of Rent in accordance with the provisions of **Section 6(d)**.

(iii) Upon any such sale or assignment under this **Section 13(b)**, Lessee shall not be required to execute any documents in connection therewith other than a form of acknowledgment, any required Uniform Commercial Code Financing Statements or any filings required by the STB, Registrar General or AAR. Any expenses incurred in connection with any such sale or assignment shall be borne solely by Lessee if a Lease Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, otherwise solely by Lessor. Lessee shall not be required to prepare any documents in connection with any such sale or assignment.

SECTION 14. LIENS.

Assuming that the Lease and/or a Lease Supplement and the Security Agreement and/or a Security Agreement Supplement has been filed with the STB, Lessee represents and warrants to Lessor and Security Trustee that at the time an Item of Equipment is accepted by it under the

Lease, such Item will be free and clear of all Liens except Permitted Encumbrances. Lessee will not create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any Lien on or with respect to the Equipment or any part or Item thereof, Lessor's title thereto, or any interest therein, except Permitted Encumbrances. Lessee, at its own expense, will pay, satisfy and otherwise take such actions as may be necessary to keep the Equipment free and clear of, and to duly discharge or eliminate or bond in a manner satisfactory to Lessor and Security Trustee, any such Lien other than Permitted Encumbrances if the same shall arise at any time during the Lease Term. Lessee will notify Lessor and Security Trustee upon becoming aware of any tax or other Lien (other than any Lien excepted above) that shall attach to the Equipment or any Item of Equipment.

SECTION 15. LOSS, DAMAGE OR DESTRUCTION.

(a) *Risk of Loss, Damage or Destruction.* Lessee hereby assumes all risk of loss, damage, theft, taking, destruction, confiscation or requisition, partial or complete, of or to each Item of Equipment, however caused or occasioned, such risk to be borne by Lessee with respect to each Item of Equipment from the Acceptance Date, and continuing until the expiration or early termination of the Lease Term. Lessee shall promptly notify Lessor and Security Trustee of any loss or casualty damage (other than any such loss or damage which constitutes an Event of Loss) to any Item or Items of Equipment where such loss or damage is estimated to exceed the amount of self-insurance or deductible amount maintained by Lessee pursuant to and in accordance with **Section 16** hereof. Lessee shall, within 90 days of notifying Lessor and Security Trustee of such loss or casualty damage, notify Lessor and Security Trustee that Lessee intends to repair such Item or Items of Equipment and provide Lessor and Security Trustee with an estimated cost and time frame with respect to such repairs.

(b) *Replacement or Payment of Stipulated Loss Value upon an Event of Loss.* If an Event of Loss occurs with respect to an Item or Items of Equipment during the Lease Term, Lessee shall, within thirty (30) days after the occurrence of such Event of Loss, inform Lessor and Security Trustee in regard thereto and of its election, subject to the terms hereof, to perform one of the following options (it being agreed that if Lessee shall not have given Lessor and Security Trustee notice of such election within such time, Lessee shall be deemed to have elected to perform the option set forth in the following **clause (i)**), *provided* that Lessee shall not have the right to select the option set forth in **clause (ii)** if a Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing:

(i) on the Rent Payment Date next following such notice, Lessee shall pay (1) Stipulated Loss Value for such Item (computed as of such Rent Payment Date), *plus* (2) the Fixed Rent and any Supplemental Rent due for such Item or Items of Equipment on such Rent Payment Date, plus (3) all accrued and unpaid Fixed Rent and any Supplemental Rent owing for such Item or Items of Equipment through any prior Rent Payment Date; or

(ii) as promptly as practicable, and in any event on or before the Business Day next preceding the 120th day following the date of such notice, in replacement for such Item of Equipment, Lessee shall comply with **Section 15(d)** hereof and shall convey or cause to be conveyed to Lessor a Replacement Item to be leased to Lessee hereunder,

such Replacement Item to: (1) be free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Encumbrances), (2) be of the same type and a similar make and model to the Item so replaced, (3) be no older than the Item so replaced, and (4) have a utility and estimated remaining useful life at least equal to the Item so replaced (assuming such Item was in the condition required to be maintained by the terms of this Lease); *provided* that Lessee shall pay on the first day corresponding to the day of the month on which Rent Payment Dates occur an amount computed in the manner specified in **clause (i)** of this **Section 15(b)** if no such replacement occurs by the end of the 120 day period referred to above.

(c) *Rent Termination; Disposition of Equipment.* Upon the sale, retention or replacement of any Item or Items of Equipment in compliance with this **Section 15** or upon payment in full of the amounts described in **Section 15(b)(i)** hereof, (A) the obligation of Lessee to pay Fixed Rent hereunder with respect to such Item or Items of Equipment commencing after the date of the payment of such amounts shall terminate and the Lease Term of such Item or Items shall thereupon terminate, *provided* that Lessee shall be obligated to pay all Rent in respect of such Item or Items which has accrued up to and including the date of payment of such amounts, (B) Lessee shall request Lessor to execute a release with respect to such Item or Items of Equipment releasing such Equipment from the Lease and shall request Security Trustee to execute a release with respect to such Item or Items of Equipment releasing such Equipment from the Lien of the Security Agreement and (C) Lessee shall, as agent for Lessor, as soon as practicable, dispose of such Item or Items of Equipment in a manner reasonably acceptable to Lessor. As to each separate Item so disposed of, so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, any payments received by Lessor or by Lessee from any insurer or other party (except Lessee) as a result of the occurrence of such Event of Loss will be applied in reduction of Lessee's obligation to pay the amounts described in **Section 15(b)(i)(1)**, if not already paid by Lessee, or, if already paid by Lessee, will be applied to reimburse Lessee for its payment of such amount, and any such payments in excess of the amounts described in **Section 15(b)(i)(1)** shall be paid to or retained by Lessor, and after the occurrence and continuance of a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default such payments shall be paid to Security Trustee.

(d) *Replacement of Item.* At the time of or prior to any replacement of any Item, Lessee, at its own expense, will (i) furnish Lessor and Security Trustee with a bill of sale and an assignment of warranties, if any, with respect to the Replacement Item, (ii) cause a Lease Supplement substantially in the form of **Exhibit B** hereto, subjecting such Replacement Item to this Lease, duly executed by Lessee, to be delivered to Lessor and Security Trustee for execution and, upon such execution, to be filed for recordation in the same manner as the original Lease Supplement, (iii) cause a Security Agreement Supplement substantially in the form of **Exhibit B** to the Security Agreement, subjecting such Replacement Item to the Security Agreement, to be delivered to Lessor and to Security Trustee for execution and, upon such execution, to be filed for recordation in the same manner as the original Security Agreement Supplement, (iv) furnish Lessor and Security Trustee with an opinion of counsel to Lessee or the party to the bill of sale, to the effect that (x) the bill of sale referred to in **clause (A)** above constitutes an effective instrument for the conveyance of title to the Replacement Item to Lessor free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Encumbrances), and constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation

of the party thereto (subject to customary qualifications as to bankruptcy and equitable principles), and (y) all filings, recordings and other action necessary or appropriate to perfect and protect Lessor's and Security Trustee's respective interests in the Replacement Item have been accomplished, and (v) furnish an Officer's Certificate of Lessee certifying that as of said date and upon consummation of such replacement, no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default exists. For all purposes hereof, upon passage of title thereto to Lessor of the Replacement Item, such Replacement Item shall be deemed part of the property leased hereunder and the Replacement Item shall be deemed an "Item" of Equipment as defined herein. Upon passage of title to any Item of Equipment, whether in connection with the replacement of such Item of Equipment or in connection with the payment of all sums required to be paid pursuant to **Section 15(b)(i)** hereof with respect to such Item of Equipment, Lessor will transfer to Lessee, without recourse or warranty, all of Lessor's right, title and interest in and to such Item, and Security Trustee shall release its security interest in such Item of Equipment. As to each separate replaced Item, so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, Lessee or its designee shall be entitled to any awards, insurance or other proceeds and damages received by Lessee, Lessor or Security Trustee with respect to such replaced Item after having replaced such Item.

(e) *Application of Payments Not Relating to an Event of Loss.* So long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, any payments (including, without limitation, insurance proceeds) received at any time by Lessor, Security Trustee or Lessee from any Governmental Authority or other party with respect to any loss or damage to any Item or Items of Equipment not constituting an Event of Loss will be applied directly in payment of repairs or for replacement of property in accordance with the provisions of **Sections 11, 12 and 16** hereof, if not already paid by Lessee, or if already paid by Lessee, shall be applied to reimburse Lessee for such payment, and any balance remaining after compliance with said Sections with respect to such loss or damage shall be retained by Lessee, and after the occurrence and continuance of a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default such payments shall be paid to Security Trustee. Lessee's obligation to pay all installments of Rent and other sums shall continue for the duration of such requisitioning or taking unless and until the same shall become an Event of Loss.

SECTION 16. INSURANCE.

(a) Lessee will, at its sole expense, cause to be carried and maintained with financially sound and reputable insurance companies having a minimum Best Rating of "A" or equivalent or as otherwise may be reasonably acceptable to Lessor and Security Trustee reasonably satisfactory to Lessor and Security Trustee, with respect to the Equipment, (i) physical damage insurance insuring against physical loss or damage to the Equipment, in an amount not less than the Stipulated Loss Value of the Equipment, and (ii) commercial general liability insurance against bodily injury, death and property damage resulting from the use, operation, ownership and possession of the Equipment in an amount not less than \$25,000,000 per occurrence; *provided* that in no event shall such insurance be any less comprehensive in amounts, risks covered, terms and conditions than any insurance maintained by Lessee with respect to similar equipment which it owns or leases.

(b) Such insurance policies shall: (i) name and insure Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder as additional insureds under the commercial general liability insurance, (ii) insure Security Trustee as sole loss payee under a standard loss payee clause reasonably satisfactory to Security Trustee under the physical damage insurance, (iii) provide insurer's waiver of its right of subrogation, set-off or counterclaim or any other deduction, whether by attachment or otherwise, in respect of any liability against any additional insured except for claims as shall arise from the willful misconduct or gross negligence of such additional insured, (iv) provide that such insurance as to the interest of Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder shall not be invalidated by any action or inaction of Lessee, Lease Guarantor or any other Person (other than such claimant), regardless of any breach or violation of any warranty, declaration or condition contained in such policies by Lessee, Lease Guarantor or any other Person (other than such claimant), (v) provide that all such insurance is primary without right of contribution from any other insurance which might otherwise be maintained by Lessor or any assignee under **Section 13(b)** and shall expressly provide that all provisions except the limits of liability, shall operate in the same manner as if there were a separate policy covering each such additional insured, (vi) with respect to the property insurance, provide therein or by endorsement that thirty (30) days' prior written notice of expiration, cancellation or material modification shall be given to Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder and shall provide that such cancellation, change or material modification shall not be effective during such 30-day period as to any of Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder, (vii) with respect to the liability insurance, provide therein or by endorsement that the company providing coverage will give thirty (30) days advance written notice to Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder should the policy be cancelled, assigned or materially changed, and (viii) provide that no additional insured shall have any obligation or liability for premiums in connection with such insurance.

(c) (i) Lessee shall furnish Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder with certificates or other satisfactory evidence of maintenance of the insurance so required and shall furnish binders or other formal confirmation reasonably acceptable to Lessor evidencing renewals thereof as soon as practicable but in no event later than three (3) Business Days prior to such renewal and certificates of insurance within thirty (30) days after such renewal is effected or the expiration date of the original policy or policies, as the case may be. (ii) All other terms of insurance shall be in accordance with such insurance carried by Lessee or its Affiliates with respect to other railcars in their respective fleets. (iii) Upon the execution and delivery of this Lease, certificates of the insurance coverage required by this **Section 16** shall be delivered by Lessee to Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder. (iv) Lessee shall furnish written notice to Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder of any notice of cancellation, material modification, termination or lapse for non-payment of premiums with respect to any of the liability insurance provided pursuant to this **Section 16** within five (5) Business Days after the earlier of (1) the date on which Lessee receives such notice from the insurance company providing such insurance, and (2) the date on which Lessee has actual knowledge of any such cancellation, material modification, termination or lapse for non-payment of premiums.

(d) If the loss covered by said physical damage insurance is less than \$2,500,000, the proceeds of such insurance shall be payable to Lessee provided that no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and after the occurrence and continuance of a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default such proceeds shall be paid to Security Trustee.

If such loss equals or exceeds \$2,500,000, the proceeds of such insurance shall be payable to Security Trustee, *provided* that Security Trustee shall, so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default has occurred or is continuing, remit all such insurance proceeds to Lessee at such time as Lessee either (i) provides Lessor and Security Trustee evidence that the damage has been repaired and the Equipment has been restored to good working order and condition or (ii) has paid to Security Trustee the amounts otherwise due to Security Trustee on loss of such Equipment pursuant to **Section 15(b)** hereof. Lessee's obligation to maintain insurance with respect to any Item of Equipment shall commence on the Acceptance Date of such Item of Equipment and shall run until the earliest to occur of (x) the date on which such Item of Equipment is sold pursuant to **Section 26.1(a)** hereof, (y) the termination of this Lease with respect to such Items of Equipment pursuant to and in accordance with **Section 25.1** hereof, or (z) the return and sale of the Equipment to Lessor in accordance with **Section 26.1(b)** hereof. Lessee covenants that it will not use or operate or permit the use or operation of any Item of Equipment at any time when the insurance required by this **Section 16** is not in force with respect to such Item of Equipment and will not use the Equipment in a manner which would violate the terms and provisions of such insurance policies. If Lessee shall fail to cause the insurance required under this **Section 16** to be carried and maintained, Lessor or Security Trustee may provide such insurance and Lessee shall reimburse Lessor or Security Trustee, as the case may be, upon demand for the cost thereof as Supplemental Rent hereunder. So long as no Lease Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Lessee may maintain deductible provisions for the first \$2,500,000 of the coverages specified in clauses (a)(i) and (ii) of this **Section 16**, or in such greater amount if in accordance with general insurance standards prevalent in the utility industry by companies with a comparable financial position.

(e) Nothing in this **Section 16** shall prohibit Lessor, Security Trustee or a Noteholder from obtaining insurance for its own account and any proceeds payable thereunder shall be as provided in the insurance policy relating thereto; *provided* that no such insurance may be obtained that would limit or otherwise adversely affect the coverage of any insurance to be obtained or maintained by Lessee pursuant to this **Section 16**.

SECTION 17. NO WARRANTIES.

LESSEE LEASES THE EQUIPMENT AS-IS, WHERE-IS WITH ALL FAULTS, AND IN WHATEVER CONDITION IT MAY BE. NEITHER LESSOR, NOT BEING THE MANUFACTURER OR VENDOR OF THE EQUIPMENT, NOR SECURITY TRUSTEE MAKES OR HAS MADE OR SHALL BE DEEMED TO MAKE OR HAVE MADE, ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTY, EITHER EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, AS TO ANY MATTER WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THE DESIGN OPERATION OR CONDITION OF THE EQUIPMENT, ITS MERCHANTABILITY, VALUE, DURABILITY, SUITABILITY OR ITS FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR USE OR PURPOSE, LESSOR'S TITLE THERETO, LESSEE'S RIGHT TO THE QUIET ENJOYMENT THEREOF, THE QUALITY OF THE MATERIAL OR WORKMANSHIP OF THE EQUIPMENT, OR THE CONFORMITY OF THE EQUIPMENT TO THE PROVISIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS OF ANY PURCHASE ORDER OR ORDERS RELATING THERETO, AND EACH OF LESSOR AND SECURITY TRUSTEE HEREBY DISCLAIMS ANY SUCH REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY (WHICH DISCLAIMER LESSEE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES). WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING, NEITHER LESSOR NOR SECURITY TRUSTEE SHALL BE LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DEFECTS, EITHER PATENT OR LATENT (WHETHER OR NOT DISCOVERABLE BY LESSEE), IN THE EQUIPMENT, OR FOR ANY

INTERRUPTION IN LESSEE'S BUSINESS CAUSED BY LESSEE'S INABILITY TO USE THE EQUIPMENT FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER, ALL OF WHICH ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT WERE SELECTED BY LESSEE ON THE BASIS OF ITS OWN JUDGMENT WITHOUT RELIANCE UPON ANY STATEMENTS, REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES MADE BY LESSOR OR SECURITY TRUSTEE, IT BEING AGREED THAT ALL SUCH RISKS, AS BETWEEN LESSOR, SECURITY TRUSTEE AND THE HOLDER OF ANY NOTE ON THE ONE HAND AND LESSEE ON THE OTHER HAND, ARE TO BE BORNE BY LESSEE.

Neither Lessor nor Security Trustee shall have any responsibility or liability to Lessee or any other Person with respect to any of the following: (a) any liability, loss or damage caused or alleged to be caused directly or indirectly by any Item of Equipment or by any inadequacy thereof or deficiency or defect therein or by any other circumstances in connection therewith; (b) the use, operation or performance of any Item of Equipment or any risks relating thereto; (c) any interruption of service, loss of business or anticipated profits or consequential damages; or (d) the delivery, operation, servicing, maintenance, repair, improvement or replacement of any Item of Equipment. Lessee's delivery of a Lease Supplement relating to an Item of Equipment shall be conclusive evidence as between Lessee and Lessor that such Item of Equipment is in all respects satisfactory to Lessee, and Lessee will not assert any claim of any nature whatsoever against Lessor or Security Trustee based on any of the foregoing matters.

So long as a Lease Event of Default shall not have occurred and be continuing, and so long as the Equipment shall be subject to this Lease and Lessee shall be entitled to possession of the Equipment hereunder, Lessor authorizes Lessee, at Lessee's expense, to assert for Lessor's and Security Trustee's account, all rights and powers of Lessor or Security Trustee, as the case may be, under any manufacturer's, vendor's or dealer's warranty on the Equipment or any part thereof; *provided, however*, that Lessee shall indemnify, protect, save, defend and hold harmless Lessor, Security Trustee and each Noteholder from and against any and all claims, and all costs, expenses, damages, losses and liabilities incurred or suffered by Lessor, Security Trustee and any Noteholder in connection therewith, as a result of, or incident to, any action by Lessee pursuant to the foregoing authorization, and that Lessee shall provide Lessor and Security Trustee with prior written notice of any action Lessee proposes to take on Lessor's, Security Trustee's or any Noteholder's behalf pursuant to the foregoing authorization. Any payments made by any such vendor or manufacturer pursuant to such warranty for any Item of Equipment shall be payable to Lessee so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing and after the occurrence and continuance of a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default shall be paid to Security Trustee. Such payment is to be used to repair or replace damaged components in accordance with **Section 11** hereof, if feasible, and if not used, such amount shall be paid promptly to Security Trustee.

SECTION 18. EVENTS OF DEFAULT.

Any of the following events shall constitute a Lease Event of Default:

- (a) Lessee shall fail to make any payment of (i) Interim Rent, Fixed Rent, Stipulated Loss Value, Termination Amount, Lease Balance or Lessee Obligation within five (5) Business Days after the same is due and payable, (ii) any Supplemental Rent consisting of the payment of the Lease Make-Whole Amount or the Make-Whole

Amount or payment of interest at the Late Rate as set forth in **Section 6(c)** within ten (10) days after the same is due and payable, or (iii) or any Supplemental Rent (other than Stipulated Loss Value, Termination Amount, Lease Balance or Lessee Obligation or amounts specified in clause (ii) hereof) within thirty (30) Business Days after written notice to Lessee that the same is due and payable; or

(b) Lessee shall fail to observe or perform any of the covenants or agreements of Lessee set forth in the first and second paragraphs of **Section 16** or Lease Guarantor shall fail to observe or perform any of the covenants or agreements of Lease Guarantor set forth in Section 5.3.1 or 5.3.9(c) of the Participation Agreement or Section 4 of the Lease Guaranty (other than Section 4.2(f) thereof, provision for which is contained in **Section 18(d)**); or

(c) any representation or warranty made by Lessee or Lease Guarantor in any Operative Agreement to which Lessee or Lease Guarantor is a party or in any certificate furnished in connection herewith or in connection with any other Operative Agreement shall prove to have been false or incorrect in any material respect when such was made; or

(d) Lessee or Lease Guarantor shall fail to perform or observe any other covenant, condition, or agreement to be performed or observed by it in any Operative Agreement to which it is a party (other than those referred to in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this **Section 18**), or in any agreement or certificate furnished in connection herewith, and such failure shall continue unremedied for thirty (30) calendar days after the earlier of (i) a Responsible Officer of Lease Guarantor obtaining actual knowledge of such default and (ii) Lease Guarantor receiving written notice of such default from Lessor, Security Trustee or any Noteholder; *provided* that no such failure shall be deemed a Lease Event of Default if (A) such failure is curable but cannot be cured by Lessee or Lease Guarantor, as the case may be, with reasonable diligence or by the payment of money within such thirty (30) day period and (B) Lessee or Lease Guarantor, as the case may be, is diligently pursuing such cure and effects such cure (I) within 90 days of the date of a failure to perform or observe said covenant, condition or agreement set forth in any of such Operative Agreement, or (II) in any case, before the last day of the Lease Term, whichever shall occur first; or

(e) any event shall occur or condition shall exist under any agreement or instrument relating to Debt of Lease Guarantor or any Significant Subsidiary (but excluding Debt outstanding hereunder) outstanding in a principal or notional amount of at least \$50,000,000 in the aggregate if the effect of such event or condition is to accelerate or require early termination of the maturity or tenor of such Debt, or any such Debt shall be declared to be due and payable, or required to be prepaid or redeemed (other than by a regularly scheduled required prepayment or redemption), terminated, purchased or defeased, or an offer to prepay, redeem, purchase or defease such Debt shall be required to be made, in each case prior to the stated maturity or the original tenor thereof.

(f) the Lease Guaranty shall cease to be in full force and effect for any reason whatsoever, including, without limitation, a determination by any Governmental Authority that the Lease Guaranty is invalid, void or unenforceable or Lease Guarantor shall contest or deny in writing the validity or enforceability of any of its obligations under the Lease Guaranty; or

(g) Lessee or Lease Guarantor becomes insolvent (however such insolvency may be evidenced) or admits insolvency or bankruptcy or its inability to pay its debts as they mature, makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors or applies for or consents to the appointment of a custodian, trustee or receiver for Lessee or Lease Guarantor, as the case may be, or for the major part of its property or commences a voluntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect; or

(h) a proceeding shall have been instituted in a court having jurisdiction in the premises, seeking a decree or order (i) for relief in respect of Lessee or Lease Guarantor in an involuntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect or (ii) for the appointment of a custodian, receiver, trustee or similar official of Lessee or Lease Guarantor or of its respective property, or (iii) for the winding up or liquidation of the affairs of Lessee or Lease Guarantor, and either (I) any such proceeding shall remain undismissed or unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days or (II) such court shall enter a decree or order granting the relief sought in such proceeding or Lessee or Lease Guarantor, as the case may be, shall consent to such entry; or

(i) any judgment or order for the payment of money in excess of \$100,000,000 and not covered by insurance shall be rendered against Lease Guarantor, Lessee or any Significant Subsidiary and either (i) enforcement proceedings shall have been commenced by any creditor upon such judgment or order or (ii) there shall be any period of 30 consecutive days during which a stay of enforcement of such judgment or order, by reason of a pending appeal or otherwise, shall not be in effect; or

(j) if BTMCC or its successor or assign as issuer of the Letter of Credit refuses for any reason whatsoever to honor a draft presented under the Letter of Credit, in any such case by reason of a Lease Event of Default specified in writing to BTMCC or its successor or assign as issuer of the Letter of Credit by written notice of Security Trustee or any of the Noteholders.

SECTION 19. REMEDIES UPON LEASE DEFAULT.

Section 19.1. If any Lease Event of Default exists, Lessor shall have the rights, options and remedies set forth below and Lessor may exercise in any order one or more or all of the following remedies (it being understood that no remedy herein conferred is intended to be exclusive of any other remedy or remedies, but each and every remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given herein or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute): (a) declare the entire outstanding Lease Balance to be due and payable, together with accrued and unpaid Rent and any other amounts payable under the Operative

Agreements, including without limitation, the Lease Make-Whole Amount, if any, (without double counting); (b) proceed by appropriate court action or actions either at law or in equity, to enforce the declaration of the amounts described in clause (a) above, the performance by Lessee of the applicable covenants of this Lease and the other Operative Documents or to recover damages for the breach thereof; (c) terminate this Lease by notice in writing to Lessee, but Lessee shall remain liable as hereinafter provided; (d) enforce the Lien given hereunder pursuant to the Uniform Commercial Code or any other law; (e) enter upon the premises of Lessee where any of the Equipment may be and take possession of all or any of such Equipment and exercise any of its rights with respect thereto; (f) require Lessee to assemble and return the Equipment as provided below; (g) enforce all of Lessor's rights and remedies pursuant to the Lease Guaranty; and (h) avail itself of the rights, options and remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code (regardless of whether the Uniform Commercial Code or a law similar thereto has been enacted in a jurisdiction wherein the rights or remedies are asserted) or any other law.

Lessor acknowledges and agrees that in making any determination that a Lease Event of Default has occurred and is continuing as a result of a breach of any of Sections 3.2(a)(ii), 3.2(d), 3.2(j)(ii) or (iii), 3.4(e), 3.4(f)(ii), 3.4(g), 3.4(h), 3.4(i)(i), 3.4(j), 3.4(m)(ii) or (iii), 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3(ii), 5.3.1, 5.3.2 or 5.3.3 of the Participation Agreement or as a result of a breach of any of **Sections 16(b)(vi), (vii), 16(c)(iv) or 18(c)** of this Lease or Section 4.2(f) of the Lease Guaranty, which in the case of each of the foregoing is specifically premised upon the occurrence of a "Material Adverse Effect", "Material Adverse Change", or upon a "material", "materiality" or "in all material respects" standard, Lessor's determination of the occurrence of any such Lease Event of Default shall be exercised in a commercially reasonable manner.

If Lessor exercises the option set forth in **clause (f)** above, Lessee shall, at its own expense, forthwith deliver exclusive possession of the Equipment to Lessor, at a location or locations designated by Lessor in Lessee's service territory, together with a copy of an inventory list of the Equipment then subject to this Lease, all then current plans, specifications and operating, maintenance and repair manuals in the possession of Lessee and its Affiliates and relating to the Equipment that have been received or prepared by Lessee, appropriately protected and in the condition required by **Section 10** hereof (and in any event in condition to be placed in immediate revenue service) and free and clear of all Liens other than the Lien of the Security Agreement. In addition, Lessee shall, for 120 days after redelivery of the Equipment, (i) maintain (or cause to be maintained) the Equipment in the condition required by **Section 10** and free and clear of all Liens other than the Lien of the Security Agreement, (ii) store the Equipment without cost to Lessor, Security Trustee or any Noteholder, (iii) in the event Lessor elects to sell the Equipment pursuant to **Section 19.2**, upgrade the Equipment to cause each Item of Equipment to be in compliance with Rule 88 of the AAR or any successor rule (on the assumption that there will be a transfer to a new operator using new reporting marks) and (iv) keep all of the Equipment insured in accordance with **Section 16**. This paragraph shall survive termination of this Lease.

Following the foreclosure of Lessee's interest in the Equipment, Lessee shall take such action as Lessor or Security Trustee shall reasonably request in order to notify each sublessee of any Item of Equipment of such foreclosure and the succession of Security Trustee or its designee to ownership and operation thereof.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Lease Event of Default described in **Section 18(g)** or **(h)** shall have occurred and be continuing, then the entire outstanding Lease Balance and all accrued and unpaid Rent and other amounts, including, without limitation, the Lease Make-Whole Amount, if any, payable under the Operative Agreements (without duplication) shall automatically and immediately become due and payable, without presentment, demand, notice, declaration, protest or other requirements of any kind, all of which are hereby expressly waived.

Without limiting, and in addition to, the rights of Lessor set forth above, if any Lease Event of Default exists, Lessor, or Security Trustee as its assignee, shall have the right to deliver to BNSF the BNSF Payment Notice and thereafter for Security Trustee to receive any and all payments made by BNSF under the BNSF Sublease and to apply such payments to amounts then due and owing from Lessee in accordance with Section 5.1(j) of the Security Agreement.

Section 19.2. In addition to the remedies set forth in **Section 19.1**, if any Lease Event of Default shall occur, Lessor may, but is not required to, sell the Equipment in one or more sales. Lessor, any Noteholder or Security Trustee may purchase all or any part of the Equipment at such sale. Lessee acknowledges that sales for cash or on credit to a wholesaler, retailer or user of such Equipment, or at public or private auction, are all commercially reasonable. Any notice required by law of intended disposition by the Security Trustee or any Noteholder shall be deemed reasonable and properly given if given at least 10 days before such disposition.

Section 19.3. All payments received and amounts held or realized by Lessor at any time when a Lease Event of Default shall be continuing as well as all payments or amounts then held or thereafter received by Lessor and the proceeds of sale pursuant to **Section 25.2** shall be distributed to Security Trustee upon receipt by Lessor for distribution in accordance with Section 7.7 of the Security Agreement.

Section 19.4. Lessee unconditionally and irrevocably appoints Security Trustee as its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power of substitution, in its name and stead and on its behalf, for the purpose of effectuating any sale, assignment, transfer or delivery hereunder, if a Lease Event of Default occurs, whether pursuant to foreclosure or power of sale or otherwise, and in connection therewith to execute and deliver all such deeds, bills of sale, assignments, releases (including releases of this Lease on the records of any Governmental Authority) and other proper instruments as Lessor may reasonably consider necessary or appropriate. Lessee ratifies and confirms all that such attorney or any substitute shall lawfully do by virtue hereof. If requested by Lessor or any purchaser, Lessee shall ratify and confirm any such lawful sale, assignment, transfer or delivery by executing and delivering to Lessor or such purchaser, all deeds, bills of sale, assignments, releases and other proper instruments to effect such ratification and confirmation as may be designated in any such request.

Section 19.5. Remedies Cumulative; Consents. To the extent permitted by, and subject to the mandatory requirements of, Applicable Law, each and every right, power and remedy herein specifically given to Lessor or otherwise in this Lease shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other right, power and remedy herein specifically given or now or hereafter existing at law, in equity or by statute, and each and every right, power and remedy whether

specifically herein given or otherwise existing may be exercised from time to time and as often and in such order as may be deemed expedient by Lessor, and the exercise or the beginning of the exercise of any power or remedy shall not be construed to be a waiver of the right to exercise at the same time or thereafter any right, power or remedy. Lessor's, Security Trustee's or any Noteholder's consent to any request made by Lessee shall not be deemed to constitute or preclude the necessity for obtaining Lessor's, Security Trustee's or any Noteholder's consent in the future to all similar requests. To the extent permitted by Applicable Law, Lessee hereby waives any rights now or hereafter conferred by statute or otherwise that may require Lessor, Security Trustee or any Noteholder to sell, lease or otherwise use the Equipment, any Item of Equipment or any part thereof in mitigation of Lessor's, Security Trustee's or any Noteholder's damages upon the occurrence of a Lease Event of Default or that may otherwise limit or modify any of Lessor's, Security Trustee's or any Noteholder's rights or remedies under this **Section 19**.

SECTION 20. LESSOR'S RIGHT TO PERFORM FOR LESSEE.

If Lessee fails to perform or comply with any of its agreements or covenants contained herein, Lessor may (but shall not be obligated to) itself, after notice to Lessee, perform or comply with such agreement or covenant or make advances to perform the same, and the amount of the reasonable expenses of Lessor incurred in connection with the performance of or compliance with such agreement or covenants, shall, if not paid by Lessee to Lessor on demand, be payable as Supplemental Rent hereunder.

SECTION 21. LATE CHARGES.

Lessee shall pay to Lessor as Supplemental Rent, to the extent permitted by applicable law, interest on any amount of Fixed Rent and any Supplemental Rent which is not paid when due, for any period for which the same is overdue (without regard to any grace period) at a rate equal to the Late Rate.

SECTION 22. COVENANT OF QUIET ENJOYMENT.

During the Lease Term of any Item of Equipment hereunder and so long as no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, Lessor covenants and agrees that Lessee shall have the right to uninterrupted use and enjoyment of such Item on the terms and conditions provided herein without any interference from Lessor or those claiming through or against Lessor (other than claims of mechanics, suppliers, materialmen and laborers for work or services performed or materials furnished in connection with the Equipment or any Item thereof which are claims by or through Lessor), including, but not limited to any assignee, lender or secured party. For purposes of this **Section 22**, the delivery of notices of default or nonperformance delivered under and pursuant to **Section 18** shall not be deemed to constitute a violation of this **Section 22**.

SECTION 23. OTHER DOCUMENTS.

Except as otherwise provided herein, Lessee will, at Lessee's expense, execute and deliver to Lessor such other documents as may be reasonably required by Lessor, including, without limitation, such amendments to this Lease, and Uniform Commercial Code financing statements and continuation statements and any filings required by the STB, Registrar General or the AAR.

SECTION 24. NOTICES AND REQUESTS.

Unless otherwise expressly specified or permitted by the terms hereof, all communications and notices provided for herein shall be in writing or by a telecommunications device capable of creating a written record, and any such notice shall become effective upon receipt by the addressee or, if such receipt is rejected, upon rejection, at its address set forth below or, in the case of any such party hereto, at such other address as such party may from time to time designate by written notice to the other parties hereto:

If to Lessee: AEP Energy Services, Inc.
 c/o American Electric Power Service Corporation
 1 Riverside Plaza
 Columbus, Ohio 43215
 Attention: Treasurer
 Fax No.: (614) 716-2807
 Confirmation No.: (614) 716-2873

With a copy to: General Counsel
 Fax No.: (614) 716-1687

If to Lessor: BTM Capital Corporation
 111 Huntington Avenue
 Boston, MA 02199
 Attn: Vice President-Administration
 Fax No.: (617) 345-1444
 Confirmation No: (617) 345-5727

All notices required to be delivered under this Lease to Lessor shall also be delivered to the Security Trustee.

SECTION 25. EARLY TERMINATION OPTION AND OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE.

Section 25.1. Early Termination Option. If no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall exist, on any scheduled Rent Payment Date after the expiration of the Basic Term, Lessee may, at its option, upon at least 90 days' advance written notice to Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders, purchase all, but not less than all, of the Items of Equipment (the "*Early Termination Option*") subject to this Lease for a purchase price equal to the sum of (i) all accrued and unpaid Rent payable on or prior to such Rent Payment Date, (ii) the outstanding

Lease Balance, (iii) the Lease Make Whole Amount, if any, which amount shall in any event be sufficient to allow Lessor to pay the Make-Whole Amount, if any, then due and payable by Lessor on and in respect of the Notes under and pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Security Agreement, and (iv) all other fees and expenses and other amounts then due and payable by Lessee pursuant to this Lease and the other Operative Agreements (the "*Termination Amount*"). Upon the payment in full of the Termination Amount by Lessee in accordance with the provisions of the preceding sentence, the obligation of Lessee to pay Rent hereunder shall cease, the term of this Lease shall end on the date of such payment and Lessor and Security Trustee shall execute and deliver to Lessee such documents as may be reasonably required to release the Items of Equipment from the terms and scope of this Lease (without representations or warranties, except that the Items of Equipment are free and clear of Lessor's Liens), in such form as may be reasonably requested by Lessee, all at Lessee's sole cost and expense.

Section 25.2. Required Purchase. So long as Lessor has not exercised any other remedy inconsistent therewith, Lessee shall be obligated to purchase all of the Items of Equipment for the Termination Amount (a) automatically and without notice upon the occurrence of any Lease Event of Default described in clauses (g) or (h) of **Section 18**, (b) as provided for in **Section 19.1** upon written demand of Lessor upon the occurrence of any other Lease Event of Default, and (c) as provided for in **Sections 27.1**, and upon receipt of the Termination Amount the Items of Equipment shall be transferred to Lessee pursuant to **Section 28**.

SECTION 26. END OF TERM OPTIONS.

Section 26.1. Lessee's Options. Not later than 180 days prior to the last day of the applicable Term, Lessee shall, by delivery of written notice to Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders, exercise one of the following options:

(a) Purchase for cash for the Termination Amount all, but not less than all, of the Equipment then subject to this Lease on the last day of the applicable Term with respect to which such option is exercised (the "*Purchase Option*"); *provided* that if such purchase is to occur on the last day of the Maximum Lease Term, no Lease Make-Whole Amount, if any, shall be due and payable; or

(b) Return all, but not less than all, of the Equipment to Lessor on the last day of the applicable Term (the "*Return and Sale Option*"). Lessee's right to return the Equipment pursuant to the Return and Sale Option shall be conditioned upon and subject to the fulfillment by Lessee of each of the terms and conditions set forth in **Sections 27** and **28**. In addition, all subleases with respect to the Equipment shall terminate prior to the last day of the applicable Term. Lessee shall not enter into any additional subleases or renew any subleases with respect to the Equipment following Lessee's election of the Return and Sale Option. Following Lessee's election of the Return and Sale Option, Lessee shall not remove any modifications or commence any voluntary modifications under **Section 11** without the consent of Lessor, Security Trustee and the Required Noteholders; or

(c) Renew this Lease as to all, but not less than all, of the Equipment (the "Renewal Option") for up to three (3) renewal terms of five (5) years each (each a "Renewal Term" and, collectively, the "Renewal Terms"). The first Renewal Term will commence at the expiration of the Basic Term, the second Renewal Term will commence at the expiration of the first Renewal Term, and the third Renewal Term will commence at the expiration of the second Renewal Term. All of the provisions of this Lease shall be applicable during each Renewal Term. Rent during each such Renewal Term shall be payable in arrears for each Item of Equipment on each Rent Payment Date during such Renewal Term, with such installment to be in an amount equal to the product obtained by multiplying (i) the Acquisition Price of such Item of Equipment by (ii) the applicable percentage set forth in **Exhibit C** attached hereto ("Renewal Term Rent"). Each such Renewal Option shall be available only if the conditions set forth in **Section 26.3** hereof are satisfied.

Section 26.2. Election of Options. If for any reason whatsoever, Lessee fails to provide timely written notice of its election of one of the options set forth in clause (a), (b) or (c) of **Section 26.1** within the time period provided for in **Section 26.1**, Lessee shall have been irrevocably deemed to have elected the Renewal Option; *provided*, that if for any reason whatsoever Lessee shall have failed to provide timely written notice of its election of one of its options within the period provided for in **Section 26.1** during the last Renewal Term, Lessee shall have been irrevocably deemed to have elected the Purchase Option in respect of the Equipment. If Lessee shall have (a) affirmatively elected the Return and Sale Option within the time period provided for in **Section 26.1** but for any reason whatsoever does not satisfy each of the requirements in **Sections 27** and **28** or (b) if Lessee shall have affirmatively elected or shall have been deemed to have elected, as the case may be, the Renewal Option, but for any reason whatsoever does not satisfy the conditions to renewal in **Section 26.3**, Lessee shall then be deemed to have elected the Early Termination Option pursuant to **Section 25.1**. In addition, the Return and Sale Option shall automatically be revoked if there exists a Lease Default or Lease Event of Default at any time after the Return and Sale Option is properly elected or Lessee fails to comply with each of the terms and conditions set forth at **Sections 27** and **28**, and Lessor shall be entitled to exercise all rights and remedies provided in **Section 19**. Lessee may not elect the Return and Sale Option if there exists on the date the election is made a Lease Default or a Lease Event of Default. Any election by Lessee pursuant to **Section 26.1** shall be irrevocable by Lessee at the time made.

Section 26.3. Lease Renewal. The exercise of any Renewal Option by Lessee shall be subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions:

(a) on each of (i) the expiration of the applicable Term then in effect and (ii) the date Lessee gives notice of its exercise of the Renewal Option, no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing; and

(b) Lessee shall not have exercised the Return and Sale Option or the Purchase Option.

Lessee's exercise of a Renewal Option shall be deemed to be a representation by Lessee that, on both the Expiration Date then in effect and the date Lessee gives notice of its exercise of the Renewal Option, no Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing.

SECTION 27. RETURN AND SALE OPTION.

Section 27.1. Return and Sale Option Procedures. Lessee's effective exercise and consummation of the Return and Sale Option with respect to the Equipment shall be subject to the due and timely fulfillment of each of the following provisions as to the Equipment as of the dates set forth below:

(a) Lessee shall have given to Lessor and Security Trustee written notice of Lessee's exercise of the Return and Sale Option in accordance with **Section 26.1**.

(b) No Lease Default or Lease Event of Default shall exist on or at any time following the date of the exercise of the Return and Sale Option.

(c) Upon surrender of the Equipment, (i) the Equipment shall be in the condition required by **Section 10**, and (ii) Lessee shall have completed or caused to be completed all alterations, modifications, additions or attachments pursuant to **Section 11** commenced prior to the Expiration Date, and Lessee shall have caused to be completed prior to the Expiration Date the repair or replacement of, or the payment of the Stipulated Loss Value with respect to, any Equipment suffering an Event of Loss.

(d) Lessee shall, as nonexclusive agent for Lessor, use reasonable commercial efforts to obtain from any Person who is not an Affiliate of Lessee or Lease Guarantor the highest cash purchase price for the Equipment. Lessee will be responsible for hiring brokers and making the Equipment available for inspection by prospective purchasers, and all marketing of the Equipment shall be at Lessee's sole cost and expense. Lessee shall, upon reasonable notice during normal business hours (subject to Lessee's customary security and safety measures) upon request, permit inspection of the Equipment and any records relating thereto by Lessor, Security Trustee or any Noteholder and any potential purchasers, and shall otherwise do all things reasonably necessary to sell and deliver possession of the Equipment to any purchaser.

(e) Lessee shall use reasonable commercial efforts to procure bids from one or more bona fide prospective purchasers to purchase the Equipment. No such purchaser shall be Lessee, Lease Guarantor or any Subsidiary or Affiliate of Lease Guarantor.

(f) Lessee shall submit all bids received by Lessee to Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders, and Lessor will have the right to review and accept or reject the same and to submit any one or more bids. All bids received by Lessor shall be on an all-cash basis unless Lessor and the Required Noteholders shall otherwise agree in their sole discretion. If Lessee receives any bids, Lessee shall deliver the same to Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders not less than ninety (90) days prior to the Expiration Date in

the form of a binding written unconditional (except as set forth below), irrevocable offer or offers by such purchaser or purchasers offering the highest all-cash bid to purchase all, but not less than all, of the Equipment.

(g) In connection with any such sale of the Equipment, Lessee will provide to the purchaser all customary "seller's" indemnities, representations and warranties regarding title, absence of Liens (except Lessor's Liens) and the condition of such Equipment. Lessee shall have obtained, at its cost and expense, all required governmental and regulatory consents and approvals and shall have made all filings as required by Applicable Law in order to carry out and complete the transfer of the Equipment. As to Lessor, any such sale shall be made on an "as is, where is, with all faults" basis without representation or warranty by Lessor, other than the absence of Lessor's Liens. Any agreement as to such sale shall be in form and substance satisfactory to Lessor.

(h) Lessee shall pay or cause to be paid from the sale proceeds, if any, any prorations, credits, costs, taxes and expenses of or arising from the sale of the Equipment, whether incurred by Lessor, Lessee, Security Trustee or any Noteholder, including the cost of all appraisals, transfer taxes, reasonable attorneys' fees, commissions, escrow fees, recording fees, and all applicable documentary and other transfer and document taxes and Impositions.

(i) Whether or not Lessor rejects or accepts any bid Lessee proposes to accept and submits to Lessor, Lessee shall pay to Security Trustee on behalf of Lessor on or prior to the Expiration Date (or in the case of Supplemental Rent, to the Person(s) entitled thereto) an amount equal to (i) Lessee Obligation *plus* (ii) all accrued and unpaid Rent (including the Lease Make-Whole Amount, if any) and all other amounts hereunder which have accrued or will accrue prior to or as of the Expiration Date, in the type of funds specified in **Section 6(d)**.

(j) Lessee shall pay to Lessor, Security Trustee and the Noteholders on or prior to the Expiration Date the amounts, if any, required to be paid pursuant to Sections 7 and 8 of the Participation Agreement.

(k) The purchase of the Equipment shall be consummated on the Expiration Date and the net proceeds (the "*Net Sales Proceeds*") of the sale of the Equipment (*i.e.*, after deducting for any marketing, closing or other costs, prorations or commissions) shall be paid directly to Security Trustee; *provided, however*, that if the sum of (i) the Net Sales Proceeds from such sale *plus* (ii) Lessee Obligation received by Security Trustee on behalf of Lessor pursuant to **Section 27.1(i)** exceeds the Lease Balance and all other amounts then due and owing the Noteholders as of such date, then the excess shall be paid to Lessee on such Expiration Date.

(l) Lessee shall, to the extent permitted by Applicable Law, assign, and shall cooperate with all reasonable requests of Lessor or the purchaser for obtaining, any and all licenses, permits, approvals and consents of any Governmental Authority or other

Persons that are or will be required to be obtained by Lessor or such purchaser in connection with its use, operation, control or maintenance of the Equipment in compliance with Applicable Law.

(m) If Lessee properly exercises the Return and Sale Option, then Lessee shall, on the expiration of the applicable Term, and at its own cost, transfer possession of the Equipment to the independent purchaser(s) thereof, in each case by surrendering the same into the possession of Lessor or such purchaser, as the case may be, free and clear of all Liens other than Permitted Encumbrances, in the condition required by **Sections 9 and 10** hereof, and in compliance with Applicable Laws and the provisions of this Lease, and Lessee shall execute and deliver to the purchaser at Lessee's sole cost and expense a bill of sale with respect to the Equipment, warranting that such Equipment is free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Encumbrances). Lessee shall execute and deliver to the purchaser an instrument declaring this Lease to be terminated on the date of closing of the sale of the Equipment. Lessee shall provide all books and records regarding the maintenance, use and ownership of the Equipment that Lessee is legally required to maintain. The obligations of Lessee under this **clause (m)** shall survive the expiration or termination of this Lease.

(n) If the bid that Lessee proposes to accept and which Lessee submits pursuant to **Section 27.1(f)** is rejected, Lessee shall promptly notify Noteholders, Security Trustee and LC Issuer of such fact. If the bid that Lessee proposes to accept and which Lessee submits pursuant to **Section 27.1(f)** is accepted by Lessor and is for an amount less than an amount equal to (i) the then outstanding principal amount of the Notes *plus* (ii) all accrued and unpaid Rent (including the Make-Whole Amount, if any, then due and payable by Lessor on and in respect of the Notes under and pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Security Agreement) and all other amounts hereunder which have accrued or will accrue prior to or as of the Expiration Date *less* (iii) the Lessee Obligation and other sums paid pursuant to **Section 27.1(i)** above, then Lessee shall promptly notify the Noteholders, the Security Trustee, the Lessor and the LC Issuer of such bid and of the amount by which such bid is less than the amount equal to (i) the then outstanding principal amount of the Notes *plus* (ii) all accrued and unpaid Rent (including the Make-Whole Amount, if any, then due and payable by Lessor on and in respect of the Notes under and pursuant to Section 6.2 of the Security Agreement) and all other amounts hereunder which have accrued or will accrue prior to or as of the Expiration Date *less* (iii) the Lessee Obligation and other sums paid pursuant to **Section 27.1(i)** above.

If one or more of the foregoing provisions of this **Section 27.1** shall not be fulfilled, then Lessor shall declare by written notice to Lessee the Return and Sale Option to be null and void (whether or not it has been theretofore exercised by Lessee), in which event all of Lessee's rights under this **Section 27.1** shall immediately terminate and Lessee shall be obligated to purchase the Equipment pursuant to **Section 25.2** on the Expiration Date.

Except as expressly set forth herein, Lessee shall have no right, power or authority to bind Lessor in connection with any proposed sale of the Equipment.

The obligation of Lessee to pay the amounts determined pursuant to **Sections 27.1** and **27.2** shall be recourse obligations of Lessee, and such payments by Lessee shall not limit any other obligation of Lessee under the Operative Agreements, including pursuant to Section 8 of the Participation Agreement.

Section 27.2. Certain Obligations Continue. (a) During the period following Lessee's exercise of the Return and Sale Option until the Expiration Date, the obligation of Lessee to pay Rent with respect to the Equipment (including the installment of Rent due on the Expiration Date) shall continue undiminished. Lessor and BTMCC as issuer of the Letter of Credit, shall have the right, but shall be under no duty to solicit bids, to inquire into the efforts of Lessee to obtain bids or otherwise to take action in connection with any such sale, other than as expressly provided in this **Section 27**.

(b) In the event that at the end of the Term: (i) Lessee elects the Return and Sale Option and (ii) after paying to Lessor, Net Sales Proceeds and the Lessee Obligation, Lessor does not have sufficient funds to reduce the Lease Balance to zero, then Lessee shall promptly pay over to Lessor the shortfall, if the Equipment is not in the condition required by **Section 10**.

SECTION 28. PROCEDURES RELATING TO PURCHASE OR RETURN AND SALE OPTION.

Section 28.1. Provisions Relating to Conveyance of Equipment upon Purchase by Lessee or Return and Sales. In connection with any termination of this Lease pursuant to any purchase of the Equipment in accordance with **Section 25.1, 25.2** or **26** or in connection with Lessee's obligations under **Section 19**, then, upon the date on which this Lease is to terminate with respect to the Equipment and upon tender in full by Lessee of the amounts set forth in **Section 19, 25.1, 25.2** or **26**, as applicable:

(a) Lessor shall execute and deliver to Lessee (or to Lessee's designee) at Lessee's sole cost and expense a bill of sale in respect of Lessor's interest in the Equipment without representation and warranty, except as to the absence of any Lessor's Liens attributable to Lessor;

(b) the Equipment shall be conveyed to Lessee "AS IS, WHERE IS" and in its then present physical condition;

(c) Lessor shall execute and deliver to Lessee a statement of termination of this Lease and execute and deliver releases of any Liens created by the Operative Agreements attributable to Lessor, and termination statements for any financing statements which are then of record naming Lessor as the secured party; and

SECTION 29. RETURN OF EQUIPMENT.

If Lessor (acting at the written direction of the Required Noteholders) has terminated this Lease pursuant to **Section 19.1**, and Lessee has not elected to purchase the Equipment pursuant to **Section 25.2**, Lessee shall, at its sole cost and expense, (a) maintain (or cause to be maintained) the Equipment in the condition required by **Section 10**, (b) keep all of the

Equipment insured in accordance with **Section 16**, and (c) upon such termination, forthwith, if requested by Lessor (acting at the written direction of the Required Noteholders), placed in a condition for delivery, and deliver exclusive possession of the Equipment to Lessor (acting at the written direction of the Required Noteholders) for the benefit of the Noteholders at a location designated by Lessor (acting at the written direction of the Required Noteholders) within Lessee's service territory, with a copy of all then-current operating, maintenance and repair manuals relating to the Equipment that have been received or prepared by or on behalf of Lessee (in condition to be placed in immediate service) to Lessor. This **Section 29** shall survive termination of this Lease.

SECTION 30. MISCELLANEOUS.

Each party agrees that the other party shall not by act, delay, omission or otherwise be deemed to have waived any of its rights or remedies hereunder unless such waiver is given in writing. A waiver on one occasion shall not be construed to be a waiver on any other occasion. The captions in this Lease are for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof. Any provision of this Lease which is prohibited or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such prohibition or unenforceability without invalidating or diminishing Lessor's or Lessee's rights under the remaining provisions hereof, and any such prohibition or unenforceability in any jurisdiction shall not invalidate or render unenforceable such provision in any other jurisdiction. No term or provision of this Lease may be amended, altered, waived, discharged or terminated orally, but may be amended, altered, waived, discharged or terminated only by an instrument in writing signed by Lessor, Lessee, the Security Trustee (acting at the written direction of the Required Noteholders) and the LC Issuer. All of the covenants, conditions and obligations contained in this Lease shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of Lessor and Lessee. This Lease, each Lease Supplement and each related instrument, document, agreement and certificate, collectively constitute the entire agreement of Lessor and Lessee with respect to the acquisition and leasing of the Equipment, and cancel and supersede any and all prior oral or written understandings with respect thereto. This Lease shall in all respects be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Ohio (without regard to the conflict of laws provisions of such state), including all matters of construction, validity and performance.

SECTION 31. THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES.

Nothing in this Lease shall be deemed to create any right in any Person not a party hereto (other than the Security Trustee and each Noteholder and the permitted successors and assigns of any such Person and any party hereto) and this instrument shall not be construed in any respect to be a contract in whole or in part for the benefit of a third party except as aforesaid.

SECTION 32. EXECUTION.

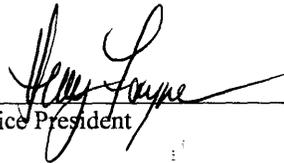
This Lease may be executed in any number of counterparts and by the different parties hereto on separate counterparts (or upon separate signature pages bound together into one or

more counterparts), each of which when so executed and delivered shall be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. To the extent, if any, that this Lease or any Lease Supplement constitutes chattel paper or other collateral within the meaning of the Uniform Commercial Code (or other law respecting security interests) as in effect in any applicable jurisdiction, no security interest in Lessor's interest under this Lease or any such Lease Supplement may be created through the transfer or possession of any counterpart of this Lease or such Supplement other than the original executed Counterpart No. 1 hereof or thereof which shall be identified on the cover, the receipt of which is acknowledged by the Security Trustee.

RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have caused this instrument to be executed, all as of the day and year first above written.

AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

By  _____
Its Vice President

BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION

By _____
Its

RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have caused this instrument to be executed, all as of the day and year first above written.

AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

By _____
Its _____

BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION

By John F. McCarty
Its Vice President

RAILCAR LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT

Receipt of this original counterpart of the foregoing Lease is hereby acknowledged this
13th day of ~~May~~ June, 2003.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY

By

Its



Patricia A. Evans
Assistant Vice President

DEFINITIONS

SEE ANNEX 1 TO THE PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

ANNEX 1
(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement)

DEFINITIONS

Re: AEP Energy Services, Inc.

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DEFINITIONS

Re: AEP Energy Services, Inc.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The following terms shall have the following meanings for all purposes of the Operative Agreements referred to below, unless otherwise defined in an Operative Agreement or the context thereof shall otherwise require. In the case of any conflict between the provisions of this Definition Annex and the provisions of the main body of any Operative Agreement, the provisions of the main body of such Operative Agreement shall control the construction of such Operative Agreement.

Unless the context otherwise requires, (i) references to agreements shall be deemed to mean and include such agreements as the same may be amended and supplemented from time to time, and (ii) references to parties to agreements shall be deemed to include the successors and permitted assigns of such parties.

DEFINED TERMS

“AAR” shall mean the Association of American Railroads or any successor thereto.

“AEP-CSW Merger” shall mean the merger of AEP Utilities, Inc. (formerly know as Central and South West Corporation) with and into a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor pursuant to the merger agreement dated as of December 27, 1997.

“Acceptance Date” for each Item of Equipment means the date on which Lessee has accepted such Item for lease under the Lease, as evidenced by Lessee’s execution and delivery of a Lease Supplement for such Item dated such date.

“Acquisition Agreement” shall mean, collectively, the Assignments dated as of each Closing Date from the Lessee to the Lessor substantially in the form of Exhibit B to the Participation Agreement.

“Acquisition Price” shall mean the sum of (i) aggregate cost of all Items of Equipment reflected on the invoices therefor delivered by the Seller *plus* (ii) the fees and expenses payable by the Lessee pursuant to clauses (ii), (iv), (v), and (vii) of Subsection 2.6(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“Affiliate” shall mean any Person who or which, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, another Person. The term “control” means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of Voting Stock, by contract or otherwise.

"After-Tax Basis" means on a basis such that any payment to be received or deemed to be received shall be supplemented by a further payment so that the sum of the two payments, after deducting from such payments the amount of all taxes resulting from receipt or accrual of such payments (net of any current credits or deductions or other tax benefits arising therefrom, to the extent actually realized), assuming that the Person receiving such payments is subject to taxes at the marginal rate applicable to corporations such as the Lessor in the highest taxable income bracket, shall be equal to the payments to be received or deemed to have been received.

"Applicable Law" shall mean any and all United States, Canadian, Federal, State, Provincial, or local laws, regulations, ordinances, rules, judgments, orders, decrees, permits, concessions, grants, franchises, license agreements or governmental restrictions applicable to the matter in question.

"Assigned Agreement" shall mean the Lease and all of the other agreements referred to in Division III of the Granting Clauses of the Security Agreement.

"Bankruptcy" shall mean with respect to any Person, a Voluntary Bankruptcy or an Involuntary Bankruptcy. A *"Voluntary Bankruptcy"* shall mean, with respect to any Person, (i)(a) the inability of such Person generally to pay its debts as such debts become due, (b) the failure of such Person generally to pay its debts as such debts become due or (c) an admission in writing by such Person of its inability to pay its debts generally or a general assignment by such Person for the benefit of creditors; (ii) the filing of any petition or answer by such Person seeking to adjudicate it a bankrupt or insolvent, or seeking for itself any liquidation, winding up, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment, protection, relief, or composition of such Person or its debts under any law relating to bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization or relief of debtors, or seeking, consenting to, or acquiescing in the entry of an order for relief or the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian or other similar official for such Person or for any substantial part of its property; or (iii) corporate action taken by such Person to authorize any of the actions set forth above. An *"Involuntary Bankruptcy"* shall mean, with respect to any Person, without the consent or acquiescence of such Person, the entering of an order for relief or approving a petition for relief or reorganization or any other petition seeking any reorganization, arrangement, composition, readjustment, liquidation, dissolution or other similar relief under any present or future bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar statute, law or regulation, or the filing of any such petition against such Person which petition shall not be dismissed or stayed within sixty (60) days, or, without the consent or acquiescence of such Person, the entering of an order appointing a trustee, custodian, receiver or liquidator of such Person or of all or any substantial part of the property of such Person which order shall not be dismissed or stayed within sixty (60) days.

"Bankruptcy Code" shall mean the Federal Bankruptcy Code as amended from time to time, 11 U.S.C. §101 *et seq.*

"Basic Term" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4 of the Lease.

"Basic Term Commencement Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 4 of the Lease.

“*BNSF Payment Notice*” shall mean that certain BNSF Payment Notice substantially in the form of Exhibit E to the Lease.

“*BNSF Sublease*” shall mean that certain Sublease dated as of May 7, 2003 between Lessee and Burlington Northern Santa Fe.

“*BTMCC*” shall mean BTM Capital Corporation, a Delaware corporation and any Person which succeeds thereto by merger or consolidation or which acquires all or substantially all of the assets thereof.

“*Burlington Northern Santa Fe*” means Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corporation, a Delaware corporation.

“*Business Day*” shall mean any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which banking institutions in Columbus, Ohio, Boston, Massachusetts or New York, New York are authorized or required to be closed.

“*Closing Date*” and “*Closing Dates*” shall have the meanings specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“*Code*” shall mean the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any successor code.

“*Collateral*” shall have the meaning specified in the Granting Clauses of the Security Agreement.

“*Comfort Letter*” shall mean that certain comfort letter from The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi, Ltd., New York Branch dated June 17, 2003 in favor of the Security Trustee.

“*Comfort Letter Issuer*” shall mean The Bank of Tokoyo-Mitsubishi, Ltd, New York branch, and its permitted successors and assigns under the Comfort Letter.

“*Consolidated Capital*” shall mean the sum of (i) Consolidated Debt and (ii) the consolidated equity of all classes of stock (whether common, preferred, mandatorily convertible preferred or preference) of the Lease Guarantor, in each case determined in accordance with GAAP, but including Equity-Preferred Securities issued by the Lease Guarantor and its Consolidated Subsidiaries.

“*Consolidated Debt*” shall mean the total principal amount of all Debt described in clauses (i) through (v) of the definition of Debt and Guaranties of such Debt of the Lease Guarantor and its Consolidated Subsidiaries, excluding, however, (i) Debt of AEP Credit, Inc. that is non-recourse to the Lease Guarantor, (ii) Stranded Cost Recovery Bonds, (iii) Equity-Preferred Securities not to exceed 10% of Consolidated Capital (calculated for purposes of this clause without reference to any Equity-Preferred Securities), and (iv) any Debt of the Lease Guarantor to any Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor and any Debt of such Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor to the Lease Guarantor.

“Consolidated Subsidiary” shall mean with respect to any Person at any time, any Subsidiary or other Person the accounts of which would be consolidated with those of such first Person in its consolidated financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

“Consolidated Tangible Net Assets” shall mean on any date of determination and with respect to any Person at any time, the total of all assets (including revaluations thereof as a result of commercial appraisals, price level restatement or otherwise) appearing on the most recent consolidated balance sheet of such Person and its Consolidated Subsidiaries as of such date of determination, net of applicable reserves and deductions, but excluding goodwill, trade names, trademarks, patents, unamortized debt discount and all other like intangible assets (which term shall not be construed to include such revaluations), less the aggregate of the consolidated current liabilities of such Person and its Consolidated Subsidiaries appearing on such balance sheet.

“Covenant Obligations” shall mean all obligations, covenants and undertakings of the Obligor contained in Lease and in the Guaranteed Agreements, other than Payment Obligations.

“Debt” shall mean of any Person means, without duplication, (i) all indebtedness of such Person for borrowed money, (ii) all obligations of such Person for the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade payables not overdue by more than 60 days incurred in the ordinary course of such Person’s business), (iii) all obligations of such Person evidenced by notes, bonds, debentures or other similar instruments, (iv) all obligations of such Person as lessee under leases (other than the Dow Lease and the Gavin Lease) that have been, in accordance with GAAP, recorded as capital leases, (v) all obligations of such Person in respect of reimbursement agreements with respect to acceptances, letters of credit (other than trade letters of credit) or similar extensions of credit, (vi) all Guaranties, (vii) all reasonably quantifiable obligations under indemnities or under support or capital contribution agreements, and other reasonably quantifiable obligations (contingent or otherwise) to purchase or otherwise to assure a creditor against loss in respect of, or to assure an obligee against loss in respect of, all Debt of others referred to in clauses (i) through (vi) above guaranteed directly or indirectly in any manner by such Person, or in effect guaranteed directly or indirectly by such Person through an agreement (A) to pay or purchase such Debt or to advance or supply funds for the payment or purchase of such Debt, (B) to purchase, sell or lease (as lessee or lessor) property, or to purchase or sell services, primarily for the purpose of enabling the debtor to make payment of such Debt or to assure the holder of such Debt against loss, (C) to supply funds to or in any other manner invest in the debtor (including any agreement to pay for property or services irrespective of whether such property is received or such services are rendered) or (D) otherwise to assure a creditor against loss.

“Debtor” shall mean the Lessor, as debtor under the Security Agreement.

“Default” shall mean any event which would constitute an Event of Default under the Security Agreement if any requirement in connection therewith for the giving of notice, or the lapse of time, or both, had been satisfied.

"Disclosure Documents" shall mean the Lease Guarantor's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as filed with the SEC, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, the Lease Guarantor's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A, as filed with the SEC, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2002, the Lease Guarantor's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated May 14, 2003, and the Lease Guarantor's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, as filed with the SEC, for the period ended March 31, 2003.

"Dow Lease" shall mean collectively, that certain Agreement for Lease, dated as of November 30, 2000, as amended, between Katco Funding, Limited Partnership and Ventures Lease Co., LLC, and that certain Lease Agreement, dated as of November 30, 2000, as amended, between Katco Funding, Limited Partnership and Ventures Lease Co., LLC.

"Early Termination Option" shall have the meaning specified in Section 25.1 of the Lease.

"Enforcement Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 7.3 of the Security Agreement.

"Enforcement Notice" shall have the meaning specified in Section 7.3 of the Security Agreement.

"Environmental Action" shall mean any action, suit, demand, demand letter, claim, notice of non-compliance or violation, notice of liability or potential liability, investigation, proceeding, consent order or consent agreement relating in any way to any Environmental Law, Environmental Permit or Hazardous Materials or arising from alleged injury or threat of injury to health, safety or the environment, including, without limitation, (i) by any governmental or regulatory authority for enforcement, cleanup, removal, response, remedial or other actions or damages and (ii) by any governmental or regulatory authority or any third party for damages, contribution, indemnification, cost recovery, compensation or injunctive relief.

"Environmental Law" shall mean any federal, state, local or foreign statute, law, ordinance, rule, regulation, code, order, judgment, decree or judicial or agency interpretation, policy or guidance relating to pollution or protection of the environment, health, safety or natural resources, including, without limitation, those relating to the use, handling, transportation, treatment, storage, disposal, release or discharge of Hazardous Materials.

"Environmental Permit" shall mean any permit, approval, identification number, license or other authorization required under any Environmental Law.

"Equipment" shall mean collectively those items and "Item" or "Item of Equipment" shall mean individually each item of railroad rolling stock described in the Lease Supplement delivered on each Closing Date, together with any and all accessions, additions, improvements and replacements from time to time incorporated or installed on any item thereof which are the property of the Lessor pursuant to the terms of the Lease, including any Replacement Item which has replaced any Item of Equipment in accordance with Section 15 of the Lease.

"Equity-Preferred Securities" shall mean (i) the Junior Subordinated Debentures, (ii) debt or preferred securities that are mandatorily convertible or mandatorily exchangeable into common shares of the Lease Guarantor and (iii) any other securities, however denominated, including but not limited to trust originated preferred securities, (A) issued by the Lease Guarantor or any of its Consolidated Subsidiaries, (B) that are not subject to mandatory redemption or the underlying securities, if any, of which are not subject to mandatory redemption, (C) that are perpetual or mature no less than 30 years from the date of issuance, (D) the indebtedness issued in connection with which, including any guaranty, is subordinate in right of payment to the unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness of the issuer of such indebtedness or guaranty, and (E) the terms of which permit the deferral of the payment of interest or distributions thereon to a date occurring after the Expiration Date.

"ERISA" shall mean the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or any successor law.

"ERISA Affiliate" shall mean any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that is treated as a single employer together with the Lease Guarantor under Section 414 of the Code.

"Event of Default" under the Security Agreement shall have the meaning specified in Section 7.1 of the Security Agreement.

"Event of Loss" with respect to any Item of Equipment shall mean (i) the loss of such Item of Equipment or any substantial part thereof or of the use thereof due to theft or disappearance for a period in excess of 180 days during the Lease Term, or existing at the expiration or earlier termination of the Lease Term, (ii) the destruction, damage beyond repair, or rendition of such Item of Equipment or any substantial part thereof permanently unfit for normal use for any reason whatsoever, (iii) the condemnation, confiscation, seizure, or requisition of use of such Item of Equipment or any substantial part thereof by any governmental authority under the power of eminent domain or otherwise for a period in excess of 180 days during the Lease Term, or existing at the expiration or earlier termination of the Lease Term, or (iv) the requisition of title to such Item of Equipment or any substantial part thereof by any governmental authority under the power of eminent domain or otherwise.

"Expiration Date" shall mean the fifth anniversary of the First Closing Date or, if the Term has been extended in accordance with Section 26.1(c) of the Lease, the last day of the most recent Renewal Term.

"Fair Market Value" shall be determined on the basis of, and shall equal in value, the retail amount (as opposed to the wholesale amount) which would be obtained in an arm's-length transaction between an informed and willing buyer or user (other than a lessee currently in possession) and an informed and willing seller under no compulsion to sell, and in such determination, costs of removal from the location of current use shall not be a deduction from such value. Any such determination shall be made on the assumption that the Equipment is in the condition and state of repair required by the terms and provisions of the Lease.

"Fifth Closing Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

"First Closing Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

"First Mortgage Indentures" shall mean (i) the Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated as of December 1, 1940, between Appalachian Power Company and Bankers Trust Company and R. Gregory Page, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (ii) the Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated September 1, 1940, between Columbus Southern Power Company and City Bank Farmers Trust Company (now Citibank, N.A.), as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (iii) the Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated as of June 1, 1939, between Indiana Michigan Power Company and Irving Trust Company (now The Bank of New York) and various individuals, as Trustees, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (iv) the Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated May 1, 1949, between Kentucky Power Company and Bankers Trust Company, as supplemented and amended from time to time, (v) the Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated as of October 1, 1938, between Ohio Power Company and Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company (now JPMorgan Chase Bank), as Trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (vi) the Indenture of Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated November 1, 1943, executed by AEP Texas Central Company to The Bank of New York as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (vii) the Indenture, dated July 1, 1945, as amended, between Public Service Company of Oklahoma and The Bank of New York, as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, (viii) the Indenture, dated February 1, 1940, between Southwestern Electric Power Company and The Bank of New York, as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, and (ix) the Indenture, dated August 1, 1943, between AEP Texas North Company and The Bank of New York, as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

"Fixed Rent" shall mean all Rent payable pursuant to Section 6(b) of the Lease for the Basic Term and all Rent payable pursuant to Section 26.1(c) of the Lease for any Renewal Term.

"Foreign Plan" shall mean any pension, profit-sharing, deferred compensation, or other employee benefit plan, program or arrangement maintained by any entity subsidiary which, under applicable local law, is required to be funded through a trust or other funding vehicle.

"Fourth Closing Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

"GAAP" shall mean generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time in the United States of America.

"Gavin Lease" shall mean that certain Lease Agreement, dated as of January 25, 1995, as amended, between JMG Funding, Limited Partnership and Ohio Power Company.

"Governmental Approval" shall mean any authorization, consent, approval, license or exemption of, registration or filing with, or report or notice to, any governmental unit.

“Governmental Authority” shall mean (a) the government of (i) the United States of America, Canada or any other State, Provincial or political subdivision thereof or (ii) any jurisdiction in which Lessee or Lease Guarantor conducts all or any part of its business, or which has jurisdiction over any properties of Lessee or Lease Guarantor; or (b) any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial or regulatory or administrative functions of, or pertaining to, any such government.

“Guaranteed Agreements” shall mean the Lease and the Participation Agreement.

“Guaranty” of any Person shall mean any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of such Person (i) to pay any Debt of any other person or (ii) incurred in connection with the issuance by a third person of a Guaranty of Debt of any other Person (whether such obligation arises by agreement to reimburse or indemnify such third Person or otherwise).

“Guaranty Beneficiary” and *“Guaranty Beneficiaries”* shall have the meaning set forth in the introductory paragraphs of the Lease Guaranty.

“Hazardous Material” shall mean any and all pollutants, toxic or hazardous wastes or any other substances, including all substances listed in or regulated in any Environmental law that might pose a hazard to health or safety, the removal of which may be required or the generation, manufacture, refining, production, processing, treatment, storage, handling, transportation, transfer, use, disposal, release, discharge, spillage, seepage, or filtration of which is or shall be restricted, regulated, prohibited or penalized by any applicable law (including, without limitation, asbestos, urea formaldehyde foam insulation and polychlorinated biphenyls).

“Indebtedness Hereby Secured” shall mean the outstanding Notes and all principal thereof (and premium, if any) and interest thereon and all additional amounts and other sums at any time due and owing from or required to be paid by the Lessor under the terms of the outstanding Notes, the Security Agreement or the Participation Agreement.

“Indemnification Obligations” shall mean any amount or amounts due to any Person from the Obligor pursuant to any indemnification provision contained in the Guaranteed Agreement.

“Indemnified Parties” shall mean the Participants, the Trust Estate, the Security Trustee (in its individual or trust capacities), the LC Issuer and successors, assigns, agents, servants, officers and employees of each of the foregoing.

“Indemnites” shall have the meaning specified in Section 9 of the Participation Agreement.

“Indemnitor” shall have the meaning specified in Section 9 of the Participation Agreement.

“Institutional Investor” shall mean (a) any original purchaser of a Note, (b) any holder of a Note holding more than 5% of the aggregate principal amount of the Notes then outstanding,

and (c) any bank, trust company, savings and loan association or other financial institution, any pension plan, any investment company, any insurance company, any broker or dealer, or any other similar financial institution or entity, regardless of legal form.

“Interchange Rules” shall have the meaning specified in Section 10 of the Lease.

“Interim Rent” shall have the meaning specified in Section 6(a) of the Lease.

“Interim Term” shall have the meaning specified in Section 4 of the Lease.

“IRS” shall mean the Internal Revenue Service or any successor agency.

“Junior Subordinated Debentures” shall mean (i) the 7.60% Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures Series B, Due 2038 and 8.0 % Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures Series A, due 2026 issued by Indiana Michigan Power Company and the 8.72% Junior Subordinated Deferrable Interest Debentures Series A, due 2025, issued by Kentucky Power Company and (ii) securities, however denominated, issued after the date hereof by any Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor having terms (other than as to principal amount and the rate of interest thereon) substantially similar to the terms of the securities described in clause (i).

“Late Rate” shall mean interest at the annual rate equal to 7.56%.

“Lease” shall mean the Railcar Lease and Security Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 between Lessor, as lessor, and Lessee, as lessee, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

“Lease Balance” shall mean, as of any date of determination, an amount equal to the aggregate sum of the outstanding principal amount of the Notes of all of the Noteholders and the outstanding Lessor Investment.

“Lease Default” shall mean any event which would constitute an Event of Default under the Lease if any requirement in connection therewith for the giving of notice or the lapse of time, or both, had been satisfied.

“Lease Event of Default” shall have the meaning specified in Section 18 of the Lease.

“Lease Guarantor” or *“Guarantor”* shall mean American Electric Power Company, Inc., a New York corporation, and any corporation which succeeds thereto by merger or consolidation or which acquires all or substantially all of the assets thereof subject to Section 4.2 of the Lease Guaranty.

“Lease Guarantor Agreements” shall mean the Operative Agreements to which the Lease Guarantor is a party.

“Lease Guaranty” shall mean the Guaranty Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 from the Lease Guarantor to the Noteholders and the Lessor, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

“Lease Make-Whole Amount” shall mean an amount equal to the sum of (a) the Make-Whole Amount plus (b) the Lessor Make-Whole Amount.

“Lease Supplement” shall mean each Lease and Security Agreement Supplement, substantially in the form of Exhibit B to the Lease, entered into between the Lessor and the Lessee pursuant to Section 3 of the Lease on each Closing Date, and shall include any supplement, amendment or restatement thereof. Each Lease Supplement shall contain a description of the Equipment to be delivered on such Closing Date, shall confirm that the Equipment has been accepted by the Lessee and shall set forth the Acquisition Price, Interim Rent, Fixed Rent, Stipulated Loss Values, Termination Amounts, Lessee Obligation and Lessor Residual Amount of the Equipment therein described. Each reference to “the Lease” shall include the Lease and the Lease and Security Agreement Supplements.

“Lease Term” shall mean the Basic Term and each Renewal Term.

“Lessee” shall mean AEP Energy Services, Inc., an Ohio corporation, and any corporation which succeeds thereto by merger or consolidation or which acquires all or substantially all of the assets thereof subject to Section 31 of the Lease.

“Lessee Agreements” shall mean the Operative Agreements to which the Lessee is a party.

“Lessee Collateral” shall mean all of Lessee’s right, title and interest in and to each of the following, however arising and whether now existing or hereafter acquired or arising:

- (a) the Items of Equipment (including all parts thereof, accessions thereto and replacements and substitutions therefor);
- (b) any sublease of the Items of Equipment, including, without limitation, the BNSF Sublease;
- (c) all contracts necessary to operate and maintain the Items of Equipment;
- (d) any rights to a rebate, offset or other assignment, warranty or service under a purchase order, invoice or purchase agreement with any manufacturer of any Item of Equipment;
- (e) all books, manuals, logs, records, writings, software, information and other property solely relating to any of the foregoing; and
- (f) all products, accessions, rents, issues, profits, returns, income and proceeds of and from any and all of the foregoing collateral (including proceeds which

constitute property of the types described in clauses (a), (b), (c), (d), and (e) above and, to the extent not otherwise included, all payments under insurance (whether or not Lessor is the loss payee thereof), or any indemnity, warranty or guaranty, payable by reason of loss or damage to or otherwise with respect to any of the foregoing collateral).

"Lessee Obligation" shall mean, as of any date of determination, the amount set forth on Exhibit D to the Lease and Schedule 2 to each Lease Supplement as a percentage of the Acquisition Price.

"Lessee Security Agreement" shall have the meaning specified in Section 8(a) of the Lease.

"Lessor" shall mean BTMCC and any Person which succeeds thereto by merger or consolidation or which acquires all or substantially all of the assets thereof.

"Lessor Agreements" shall mean the Operative Agreements to which the Lessor is a party.

"Lessor Investment" shall mean the aggregate investment of the Lessor in the Acquisition Price of the Equipment made pursuant to **Section 2.1** of the Participation Agreement.

"Lessor Make-Whole Amount" shall mean, with respect to the Lessor Investment, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Discounted Value of the Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to the Called Investment of such Lessor Investment over the amount of such Called Investment; *provided* that the Lessor Make-Whole Amount may in no event be less than zero. For the purposes of determining the Lessor Make-Whole Amount, the following terms have the following meanings:

"Called Investment" means, with respect to the Lessor Investment, the amount of the Lessor's investment in the Acquisition Price of the Equipment that is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 25, 26 or 27 of the Lease.

"Discounted Value" means, with respect to the Called Investment the amount obtained by discounting all Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to such Called Investment from their respective scheduled due dates to the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Investment in accordance with accepted financial practice and at a discount factor (applied on the same periodic basis as that on which interest on the Called Investment is payable) equal to the Reinvestment Yield with respect to such Called Investment.

"Reinvestment Yield" means, with respect to the Called Investment 1.00% over the yield to maturity implied by (a) the yields reported, as of 10:00 A.M. (New York City time) on the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Investment on the display designated as "Page PX-1" of the Bloomberg Financial Markets Services Screen (or, if not available, any other national recognized trading screen reporting on-line intraday trading in the U.S. Treasury securities) for actively

traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury securities having a maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Investment as of such Settlement Date, or (b) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Investment in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Investment as of such Settlement Date. Such implied yield will be determined, if necessary, by (i) converting U.S. Treasury bill quotations to bond-equivalent yields in accordance with accepted financial practice and (ii) interpolating linearly between (1) the actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and greater than the Remaining Average Life and (2) the actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and less than the Remaining Average Life.

“Remaining Average Life” means, with respect to any Called Investment, the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) obtained by dividing (a) such Called Investment into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the principal component of each Remaining Scheduled Payment with respect to such Called Investment by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) that will elapse between the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Investment and the scheduled due date of such Remaining Scheduled Payment.

“Remaining Scheduled Payments” means, with respect to the Called Investment all payments of such Called Investment and interest thereon that would be due after the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Investment if no payment of such Called Investment were made prior to its scheduled due date; *provided* that if such Settlement Date is not a date on which interest payments are due to be made under the terms of the Lease, then the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued to such Settlement Date and required to be paid on such Settlement Date pursuant to Sections 25, 26 or 27 of the Lease.

“Settlement Date” means, with respect to the Called Investment, the date on which such Called Investment is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 25, 26 or 27 of the Lease.

“Lessor Residual Amount” shall mean, as of any date of determination, the amount set forth on Exhibit D to the Lease and Schedule 2 to each Lease Supplement as a percentage of the Acquisition Price.

“Lessor’s Liens” shall mean Liens arising as a result of (i) claims against Lessor not related to the transactions contemplated by the Participation Agreement, (ii) acts of Lessor arising out of its gross negligence or willful misconduct either not related to the transactions contemplated by the Participation Agreement or expressly prohibited under the Lease or under the Participation Agreement, (iii) “taxes, fees or other charges” as defined in Section 7() of the

Participation Agreement imposed against Lessor which are not indemnified against by Lessee pursuant to Section 7 of the Participation Agreement other than "taxes, fees or other charges" which are not due and payable or (iv) claims against Lessor arising out of the voluntary transfer by Lessor of its interest in the Equipment other than a transfer of the Equipment pursuant to Section 13(b) of the Lease and other than a transfer made while an Event of Default under the Lease has occurred and is continuing, in each case other than Liens the amount or validity of which are being contested in good faith by appropriate legal proceedings which will not result in the forfeiture or sale of the Equipment or materially and adversely affect the Lessor's title thereto or interfere with the due payment by the Lessee to the Security Trustee of any Rent or the due application by the Security Trustee of any such Rent pursuant to the Security Agreement and which do not otherwise materially and adversely affect the interest and rights of the Security Trustee in the Collateral.

"*Letter of Credit*" shall mean that certain letter of credit dated June 17, 2003 from the LC Issuer in favor of the Security Trustee.

"*LC Issuer*" shall mean BTMCC as the issuer of the Letter of Credit.

"*Liabilities*" shall have the meaning specified in Section 8(a) of the Participation Agreement.

"*Lien*" shall mean any mortgage, pledge, security interest, lien, encumbrance or other charge of any kind on property.

"*Loan Value*" shall have the meaning specified in Section 5.1(d) of the Security Agreement.

"*Make-Whole Amount*" shall mean, with respect to any Note, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the Discounted Value of the Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to the Called Principal of such Note over the amount of such Called Principal; *provided* that the Make-Whole Amount may in no event be less than zero. For the purposes of determining the Make-Whole Amount, the following terms have the following meanings:

"*Called Principal*" means, with respect to any Note, the principal of such Note that is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 6.2 or Section 6.3 of the Security Agreement or has become or is declared to be immediately due and payable pursuant to Section 7 of the Security Agreement, as the context requires.

"*Discounted Value*" means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, the amount obtained by discounting all Remaining Scheduled Payments with respect to such Called Principal from their respective scheduled due dates to the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, in accordance with accepted financial practice and at a discount factor (applied on the same periodic basis as that on which interest on the Notes is payable) equal to the Reinvestment Yield with respect to such Called Principal.

"*Reinvestment Yield*" means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, 0.50% over the yield to maturity implied by (a) the yields reported, as of 10:00 A.M.

(New York City time) on the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, on the display designated as “Page PX-1” of the Bloomberg Financial Markets Services Screen (or, if not available, any other national recognized trading screen reporting on-line intraday trading in the U.S. Treasury securities) for actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury securities having a maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Principal as of such Settlement Date, or (b) if such yields are not reported as of such time or the yields reported as of such time are not ascertainable, the Treasury Constant Maturity Series Yields reported, for the latest day for which such yields have been so reported as of the second Business Day preceding the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal, in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H.15 (519) (or any comparable successor publication) for actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury securities having a constant maturity equal to the Remaining Average Life of such Called Principal as of such Settlement Date. Such implied yield will be determined, if necessary, by (i) converting U.S. Treasury bill quotations to bond-equivalent yields in accordance with accepted financial practice and (ii) interpolating linearly between (1) the actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and greater than the Remaining Average Life and (2) the actively traded on-the-run U.S. Treasury security with the maturity closest to and less than the Remaining Average Life.

“Remaining Average Life” means, with respect to any Called Principal, the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) obtained by dividing (a) such Called Principal into (b) the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) the principal component of each Remaining Scheduled Payment with respect to such Called Principal by (ii) the number of years (calculated to the nearest one-twelfth year) that will elapse between the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal and the scheduled due date of such Remaining Scheduled Payment.

“Remaining Scheduled Payments” means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, all payments of such Called Principal and interest thereon that would be due after the Settlement Date with respect to such Called Principal if no payment of such Called Principal were made prior to its scheduled due date; *provided* that if such Settlement Date is not a date on which interest payments are due to be made under the terms of the Notes, then the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued to such Settlement Date and required to be paid on such Settlement Date pursuant to Section 6.2, Section 6.3 or Section 7 of the Security Agreement.

“Settlement Date” means, with respect to the Called Principal of any Note, the date on which such Called Principal is to be prepaid pursuant to Section 6.2 or Section 6.3 of the Security Agreement or has become or is declared to be immediately due and payable pursuant to Section 7 of the Security Agreement, as the context requires.

“Margin Stock” shall have the meaning specified in Regulation U of Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (12CFR221).

“Material” shall mean material in relation to the business, operations, financial condition, or properties of the Lessee or Lease Guarantor and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole.

“Material Adverse Change” shall mean a material adverse change in (a) the business, operations, financial condition, or properties of the Lessee or the Lease Guarantor and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or (b) the ability of the Lessee or the Lease Guarantor to perform its respective obligations under the Lease and the Lease Guaranty, (c) the validity or enforceability of the Operative Agreement to which the Lessee or the Lease Guarantor is a party or any rights or remedies under any thereof, or (d) the rights or interests of the any Participant in the Equipment, the other Lessee Collateral or the Letter of Credit.

“Material Adverse Effect” shall mean a material adverse effect on (a) the business, operations, financial condition, or properties of the Lessee or Lease Guarantor and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, or (b) the ability of the Lessee or Lease Guarantor to perform its respective obligations under the Participation Agreement, the Lease and the Lease Guaranty, (c) the validity or enforceability of the Operative Agreement or any rights or remedies under any thereof, (d) the rights or interests of the any Participant in the Equipment, the other Lessee Collateral or the Letter of Credit or (e) the Fair Market Value, use, utility, useful life or residual value of the Equipment.

“Maximum Lease Term” shall mean June 17, 2023.

“Moody’s” shall mean Moody’s Investors Service, Inc.

“Multiemployer Plan” shall mean any Plan which is a “multiemployer plan” (as such term is defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA).

“Net Sales Proceeds” shall have the meaning specified in Section 27.1(k) of the Lease.

“Note” shall mean any of, and *“Notes”* shall mean all of, the then outstanding Notes, and *“outstanding”*, when used with reference to Notes shall mean, as of any particular time, all Notes delivered by the Debtor and secured by the Security Agreement, except:

(a) Notes theretofore cancelled by the Security Trustee or delivered to the Security Trustee for cancellation;

(b) Notes for the payment or prepayment of which moneys in the necessary amount shall have been deposited in trust with the Security Trustee; *provided*, that if such Notes are to be prepaid prior to the maturity thereof, notice of such prepayment shall have been given as provided in Section 6.4 of the Security Agreement, or provision satisfactory to the Security Trustee shall have been made for giving such notice; and

(c) Notes in lieu of or in substitution for which other Notes shall have been delivered pursuant to the terms of Section 2.4 of the Security Agreement.

"Note Purchasers" shall mean the Note Purchasers named in Schedule 2 to the Participation Agreement and their respective successors and assigns, including successive holders of the Notes.

"Noteholder" shall mean the holder of any Note issued and outstanding under the Security Agreement.

"Obligations" shall mean Payment Obligations, Indemnification Obligations, and Covenant Obligations, individually and collectively.

"Obligor" has the meaning set forth in Recital A of the Lease Guaranty.

"Officer's Certificate" shall mean a certificate signed in the case of a corporation by the President or any Vice President, the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer of such corporation, in the case of a partnership by the President or any Vice President, the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer of a corporate general partner, and in the case of a commercial bank or trust company, the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee, or the Treasurer, any Trust Officer, any Vice President, any Executive or Senior or Second or Assistant Vice President, Secretary or Assistant Secretary, or any other officer or assistant officer or other authorized signatory customarily performing the functions similar to those performed by the Persons who at the time shall be such officers, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred because of his knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject.

"Operative Agreements" shall mean and include the Participation Agreement, the Warranty Bills of Sale, the Acquisition Agreements, the Lease, the Lease Supplements, the Lease Guaranty, the Notes outstanding at the time of reference, the Security Agreement, the Security Agreement Supplements, the Letter of Credit, the Comfort Letter, the Reimbursement and Remarketing Agreement, the Reimbursement Security Agreement and the Sublease Assignment.

"Participants" shall mean the Noteholders and the Lessor.

"Participation Agreement" shall mean the Participation Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003, among the Lessee, the Lease Guarantor, the Participants and the Security Trustee.

"Payment Obligations" means all amounts payable by the Obligor pursuant to the Guaranteed Agreements, whether absolute or contingent, direct or indirect, voluntary or involuntary, now or hereafter existing, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) a termination of the Lease pursuant to the terms thereof; (ii) all damages (whether provided for in the Guaranteed Agreements or otherwise permitted by law) in respect of any failure or refusal or by the Obligor to make any such payment, how so ever created, arising or evidenced, voluntary or involuntary, whether direct or indirect, absolute or contingent, now or hereafter existing or owing, in each such case notwithstanding any rejection of the Lease by the Obligor or a trustee in any Federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding or any limit imposed in any such proceeding or by statute or other Applicable Law on the amounts payable under the Lease by the Obligor.

"*PBGC*" shall mean the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA or any successor thereto.

"*Permitted Contest*" shall mean a good-faith contest conducted in a manner so as to prevent the imposition of any criminal penalty on, or adverse effect on the title, property or right of, such Indemnified Party, of the legality or validity of any of the taxes, assessments, levies, fees or other governmental charges, or other claims, Liens or impositions which, under the terms of the Lease, are required to be paid or discharged by the Lessee or the Lessor, as the case may be, but for such contest.

"*Permitted Encumbrances*" with respect to the Equipment and each Item thereof, shall mean (i) the interest of the Lessee and the Lessor, respectively, under the Lease; (ii) any Liens thereon for taxes, assessments, levies, fees and other governmental and similar charges not due and payable or the amount or validity of which is being contested by a Permitted Contest; (iii) any Liens of mechanics, suppliers, materialmen and laborers for work or services performed or materials furnished in connection with the Equipment or any Item thereof which are not more than 30 days past due or the amount or validity of which is being contested by a Permitted Contest; (iv) the Lien and security interest granted to the Security Trustee under and pursuant to the Security Agreement; and (v) the rights of any sublessee pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Lease in respect of the Equipment.

"*Permitted Liens*" shall mean such of the following as to which no enforcement, collection, execution, levy or foreclosure proceeding shall have been commenced: (i) Liens for taxes, assessments and governmental charges or levies to the extent not required to be paid under Section 5.3(g) of the Participation Agreement; (ii) Liens imposed by law, such as materialmen's, mechanics', carriers', workmen's and repairmen's Liens, and other similar Liens arising in the ordinary course of business securing obligations that are not overdue for a period of more than 30 days or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; (iii) Liens incurred or deposits made to secure obligations under workers' compensation laws or similar legislation or to secure public or statutory obligations; (iv) easements, rights of way and other encumbrances on title to real property that do not render title to the property encumbered thereby unmarketable or materially adversely affect the use of such property for its present purposes; (v) any judgment Lien, unless an Event of Default under Section 18(i) of the Lease shall have occurred and be continuing; (vi) any Lien on any asset of any Person existing at the time such Person is merged or consolidated with or into Guarantor or any Significant Subsidiary and not created in contemplation of such event; (vii) liens arising under the First Mortgage Indentures; (viii) deposits made in the ordinary course of business to secure the performance of bids, trade contracts (other than for Debt), operating leases and surety bonds; (ix) purchase money Liens upon or in any real property or equipment acquired, constructed, improved or held by Guarantor or any Subsidiary of Guarantor in the ordinary course of business to secure the purchase price of such property or equipment or to secure Debt incurred solely for the purpose of financing the acquisition of such property or equipment, or Liens existing on such property or equipment at the time of its acquisition (other than any such Liens created in contemplation of such acquisition that were not incurred to finance the acquisition of such property); (x) extensions, renewals or replacements of any Lien described in clause (iii), (vi), (viii) or (x) for the same or a lesser amount, provided, however, that no such Lien shall extend to or cover any properties not

theretofore subject to the Lien being extended, renewed or replaced; and (xi) any other Lien not covered by the foregoing exceptions as long as immediately after the creation of such Lien the aggregate principal amount of Debt secured by all Liens created or assumed under this clause (xi) does not exceed 10% of Consolidated Tangible Net Assets of Guarantor.

“*Person*” shall mean an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, firm, trust or unincorporated organization, and a government or agency or political subdivision thereof.

“*Plan*” shall mean an “employee pension benefit plan” (as defined in Section 3 of ERISA) which is and has been established or maintained, or to which contributions are or have been made or should be made according to the terms of the plan by the Lease Guarantor or any of its ERISA Affiliates.

“*PUHCA*” shall mean the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended.

“*Purchase Option*” is defined in Section 26.1(a) of the Lease.

“*Register*” shall mean the register caused to be kept by Lessor at the principal office of the Security Trustee for the purpose of recording the registration and transfer of the Notes.

“*Reimbursement and Remarketing Agreement*” shall mean the Reimbursement and Remarketing Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 among the Security Trustee, the LC Issuer and the Lessor.

“*Reimbursement Security Agreement*” shall mean the Reimbursement Security Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 between the Security Trustee and the LC Issuer.

“*Renewal Option*” shall have the meaning specified in Section 26.1(c) of the Lease.

“*Renewal Term*” shall mean any term in respect of which the Lessee shall have exercised its option to renew the Lease pursuant to Section 26.1(c) thereof.

“*Renewal Term Rent*” shall have the meaning specified in Section 26.1(c) of the Lease.

“*Rent*” shall mean Fixed Rent and Supplemental Rent.

“*Rent Payment Dates*” shall mean for each Item of Equipment (i) for the Basic Term thereof, June 13, 2004 and the 13th day of each June and December thereafter throughout, to and including June 13, 2008, and (ii) for each Renewal Term thereof, each date on which a payment of Fixed Rent is due and payable for such Item as provided in Section 6 of the Lease.

“*Replacement Item*” shall mean an item of railroad rolling stock of the same type as the Item of Equipment for which it is a replacement and which shall have been leased under the Lease pursuant to Section 15(d) thereof.

"Replacement L/C Issuer" shall mean any commercial bank or other financial institution having a credit rating at the time of its issuance and delivery of a Replacement Letter of Credit of not less than "A3" by Moody's or "BBB" by S&P and otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Required Noteholders.

"Replacement Letter of Credit" shall mean a Letter of Credit issued by a Replacement L/C Issuer, which Letter of Credit shall be in a form substantially similar to the Letter of Credit and otherwise in a customary form reasonably acceptable to the Required Noteholders and accompanied by (a) such documents and evidence with respect to the Replacement L/C Issuer as the Required Noteholders may reasonably request in order to establish the existence and good standing of such Replacement L/C Issuer and the authorization of the transactions contemplated by the Replacement Letter of Credit and (b) an opinion of counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Required Noteholders to the effect that the Replacement Letter of Credit has been duly authorized, executed and delivered and constitutes the legal, valid and binding contract and agreement of the Replacement L/C Issuer enforceable in accordance with its terms.

"Required Noteholders" shall mean, at any time, the holders of at least 66-2/3% in principal amount of the Notes at the time outstanding (exclusive of Notes then owned by Lessor, Lessee or Lease Guarantor or any of their respective Affiliates).

"Responsible Officer" of the Security Trustee shall mean the President, any Vice President, Trust Officer, Corporate Trust Officer or any other Officer of the Corporate Trust Administration of the Security Trustee and of anyone else any Person authorized to sign an Officer's Certificate.

"Restructuring Law" shall mean Texas Senate Bill 7, as enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas and signed into law on June 18, 1999, Ohio Senate Bill No. 3, as enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio and signed into law on July 6, 1999, or any similar law applicable to the Borrower or any Subsidiary of the Borrower governing the deregulation or restructuring of the electric power industry.

"Return and Sale Option" shall have the meaning specified in Section 26.1(b) of the Lease.

"RTO Transaction" shall mean the transfer of transmission facilities to a regional transmission organization or equivalent organization as ordered or authorized by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

"S&P" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Group, a division of the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc., a New York corporation.

"Sale Proceeds" shall mean the gross sale proceeds from the sale of the Equipment pursuant to Section 27 of the Lease.

"Second Closing Date" shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“*Secured Obligations*” shall mean:

(a) Payment when due of all obligations of the Lease Guarantor under the Lease Guaranty which accrue to the benefit (directly or indirectly) of the Noteholders and the Lessor in the performance and discharge of each and every obligation of the Lease Guarantor set forth in the Lease Guaranty;

(b) Payment of all Fixed Rent, Supplemental Rent, Stipulated Loss Value, Termination Amount, Lessee Obligation and Lease Balance and according to the terms of the Lease and any and all extensions, amendments, modifications, substitutions or renewals thereof and the performance and discharge of each and every obligation of the Lessee under the Lease;

(c) Payment of all other sums, with interest thereon, owing by the Lessee and becoming due or payable under the provisions of any of the Operative Agreements; and

(d) Due, prompt and complete observance and performance of each and every obligation, covenant and agreement of the Lessee contained in any of the Operative Agreements to which it is a party.

“*Security*” shall have the same meaning as in Section 2(1) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

“*Security Agreement*” shall mean the Security Agreement — Trust Deed dated as of June 1, 2003 between the Lessor, as debtor, and the Security Trustee, as secured party, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

“*Security Agreement Supplement*” shall mean each Security Agreement Supplement, substantially in the form of Exhibit B to the Security Agreement, entered into between the Debtor and the Security Trustee on each Closing Date, covering the Equipment to be delivered on such Closing Date.

“*Security Trustee*” shall mean Wilmington Trust Company and its successors in trust not in its individual capacity but solely as security trustee under the Security Agreement.

“*Seller*” shall mean, collectively, Johnstown America Corporation and, with respect to the First Closing Date, also AEP Energy Services, Inc.

“*Senior Financial Officer*” shall mean the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or comptroller of the Lease Guarantor.

The term “*separate account*” shall have the meaning specified in Section 3 of ERISA.

“*Significant Subsidiary*” shall mean, at any time and for the Lease Guarantor, any Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor that constitutes at such time a “significant subsidiary” of the

Lease Guarantor, as such term is defined in Regulation S-X of the SEC as in effect on the date hereof (17 C.F.R. Part 210).

“*Sixth Closing Date*” shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“*STB*” shall mean the Surface Transportation Board or any successor thereto.

“*Stranded Cost Recovery Bonds*” shall mean securities, however denominated, that are issued by the Lease Guarantor or any Consolidated Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor that are (i) non-recourse to the Lease Guarantor and its Significant Subsidiaries (other than for failure to collect and pay over the charges referred to in clause (ii) below) and (ii) payable solely from transition or similar charges authorized by law (including, without limitation, any “financing order”, as such term is defined in the Texas Utilities Code) to be invoiced to customers of any Subsidiary of the Lease Guarantor or to retail electric providers.

“*Stipulated Loss Value*” of an Item as of any Rent Payment Date shall mean the amount determined in accordance with Exhibit D of the Lease. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Lease, the Participation Agreement or the Security Agreement, each Stipulated Loss Value payment for the Equipment shall be, under any circumstances and in any event, an amount, together with Fixed Rent due and owing through the date of such Stipulated Loss Value, at least equal to the Lease Balance to which such Stipulated Loss Value payment relates.

“*Sublease Assignment*” shall mean that certain Sublease Assignment and Security Agreement dated as of June 17, 2003 from the Lessee to the Lessor assigning and granting a security interest in the interests of the Lessee in the BNSF Sublease to the Lessor.

“*Subsequent Closing Date*” and “*Subsequent Closing Dates*” shall mean each Closing Date after the First Closing Date.

“*Subsidiary*” shall mean any corporation, trust or association of which more than 50% (by number of votes) of the Voting Stock at the time outstanding shall at the time be owned, directly or indirectly, by the Lease Guarantor or by any other corporation, association or trust which is itself a Subsidiary within the meaning of this definition, or collectively by the Lease Guarantor and any one or more such Subsidiaries.

“*Supplemental Rent*” shall mean all amounts, liabilities and obligations (other than Interim Rent and Fixed Rent) which the Lessee is obligated to pay under the Lease or the Participation Agreement, including, but not limited to, payment of Stipulated Loss Value and Termination Amount payments, payment of the Lease Make-Whole Amount under Sections 19, 25, 26 and 27 of the Lease, and amounts, if any, payable, under Section 2.6 of the Participation Agreement by the Lessee.

“*Term*” shall mean the Lease Term.

“*Termination Amount*” shall have the meaning specified in Section 25.1 of the Lease.

“Third Closing Date” shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.3(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“Tranches A Note” shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.2(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“Tranche B Note” shall have the meaning specified in Section 2.2(a) of the Participation Agreement.

“Transaction Costs” shall have the meaning set forth in Section 2.6 of the Participation Agreement.

“Voting Stock” shall mean Securities of any class or classes of a corporation, the holders of which are ordinarily, in the absence of contingencies, entitled to elect a majority of the corporate directors (or persons performing similar functions).

“Warranty Bill of Sale” shall mean each Warranty Bill of Sale dated a Closing Date from the Seller to the Lessor pursuant to which the Seller shall convey to the Lessor title to the Equipment for which settlement is being made on such date.

DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

875 new Johnstown America built 4,520 cubic foot Aluminum Bethgon II Coalporters, as more specifically described in the Lease and Security Agreement Supplements delivered on each Closing Date bearing numbers COEH 5708 through COEH 6562 and COEH 699132 through COEH 699151.

EXHIBIT A
(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement)

LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENT NO. _____

THIS LEASE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENT NO. _____ dated as of _____, 2003 between BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION, a Delaware corporation ("*Lessor*"), and AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC., an Ohio corporation ("*Lessee*"),

WITNESSETH:

1. Lessor and Lessee have heretofore entered into a Railcar Lease and Security Agreement dated as of June 1, 2003 (the "*Lease*") providing for the execution and delivery of Lease and Security Agreement Supplements substantially in the form hereof. The terms defined in the Lease shall have the same meanings when used herein.

2. Lessee hereby acknowledges and confirms that on or prior to the date hereof, the Subject Equipment described in Schedule 1 attached hereto (the "*Subject Equipment*") has been delivered and assembled. Lessee represents that the Subject Equipment is free and clear of all liens and encumbrances.

3. Lessee hereby certifies that the date of acceptance of the Subject Equipment is _____, 2003 and commencement of the Lease Term with respect thereto is _____, 2003.

4. Lessee hereby certifies that such Acquisition Price for the Subject Equipment as of the date hereof is \$_____.

5. Interim Rent, Fixed Rent, Stipulated Loss Values, Termination Amounts, Lessee Obligation and Lessor Residual Amount for the Subject Equipment is payable in the amounts and on the Rent Payment Dates set forth in Schedule 2 attached hereto.

6. Lessee hereby certifies that the Lease Balance for the Subject Equipment as of the date hereof is _____.

7. Security Agreement.

(a) Pursuant to and amending, supplementing and modifying **Section 8** of the Lease, it is the intention of the parties that Lessee shall treat the Lease, for accounting purposes, as an operating lease, and for purposes of federal, state and local income tax, and commercial law and bankruptcy purposes, it is the intention of the parties hereto that (i) the Lease and this Lease and Security Agreement Supplement be treated as a security agreement (the "*Lessee Security Agreement*"), (ii) the Lessee Security Agreement will secure the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations, (iii) all payments of Interim Rent, Fixed Rent and Supplemental Rent shall be treated as payment of principal, interest or premium, if any, on the Secured Obligations, and all payments of Stipulated Loss Value, Termination Amount, Lease Balance and Lessee Obligation shall be treated as payment of principal of the Secured Obligations, (iv) Lessee

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(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement)

should be treated as entitled to all benefits of ownership of the Equipment, (v) Lessor shall have all of the rights, powers and remedies of a secured party available under Applicable Law to take possession of and sell (whether by judicial foreclosure, power of sale or otherwise) the Lessee Collateral, (vi) the effective date of the Lessee Security Agreement will be the date of this Lease and Security Agreement Supplement and (vii) the reference to **Section 8** of the Lease and Security Agreement in this Lease and Security Agreement Supplement shall be deemed to be the recording of the Lessee Security Agreement. Without limiting the foregoing, Lessee acknowledges that Lessor is concurrently with the grant of the security interest pursuant to **Section 8** entering into the Security Agreement pursuant to which Lessor is assigning and granting a security interest in the Collateral (as such term is used in the Security Agreement), to all of which and to the terms of such Security Agreement Lessee unconditionally agrees.

Counterpart No. _____ of _____.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor and Lessee have caused this instrument to be executed, all as of the day and year first above written.

AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC.

By _____
Its _____

BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION

By _____
Its _____

STATE OF OHIO)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF FRANKLIN)

On this, the _____ day of _____, _____, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, the _____ of AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC., who acknowledged himself to be a duly authorized officer of AEP ENERGY SERVICES, INC., and that, as such officer, being authorized to do so, he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name: _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK)

On this, the _____ day of _____, _____, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared _____, the _____ of BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION who acknowledged himself to be a duly authorized officer of BTM CAPITAL CORPORATION and that, as such officer, being authorized to do so, he executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on the date above mentioned.

Name: _____
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:
Residing in _____

Receipt of this original counterpart of the foregoing Lease and Security Agreement Supplement is hereby acknowledged this _____ day of _____, 2003.

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, not in its
individual capacity but solely as Security
Trustee

By _____
Its _____

DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

SCHEDULE 1
(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement
Supplement No. __)

**SCHEDULE OF INTERIM RENT, FIXED RENT,
AND RENT FACTOR**

| RENT PAYMENT DATE | RENT INSTALLMENT FOR THE ITEM OF EQUIPMENT EQUAL TO ACQUISITION PRICE OF THE EQUIPMENT TIMES THE FOLLOWING RENT FACTOR |
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SCHEDULE 2
(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement
Supplement No. ___)

**STIPULATED LOSS VALUE, TERMINATION AMOUNTS, LESSEE OBLIGATION AND LESSOR
RESIDUAL AMOUNT**

RENT
PAYMENT DATE

STIPULATED LOSS VALUE, TERMINATION
AMOUNTS, LESSEE OBLIGATION AND
LESSOR RESIDUAL AMOUNT AS A
PERCENT OF THE ACQUISITION
PRICE OF THE ITEM OF EQUIPMENT
(IN ADDITION TO FIXED RENT
INSTALLMENT FOR SUCH ITEM OF
EQUIPMENT DUE ON SUCH DATE)

BNSF PAYMENT NOTICE

The Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway Company
2650 Lou Menk Drive
Fort Worth, Texas 76131
Attn: Director Equipment Utilization

Re: Short Term Car Lease Agreement dated May 7, 2003 (the "*Lease*") between
AEP Energy Services, Inc. ("*AEP*") and The Burlington Northern and
Santa Fe Railway Company ("*BNSF*")

Pursuant to that certain Railcar Lease and Security Agreement ("*BTM Lease*"), dated as of June 1, 2003, between AEP, as Lessee, and BTM Capital Corporation ("*BTM*"), as Lessor, AEP will lease 875 Johnstown America 4,520 cubic foot Aluminum Bethgon II Coalports, numbers COEH 5708 through COEH 6562 and COEH 6999132 through COEH 699151 ("*Equipment*"). AEP has agreed to sublease the Equipment to BNSF pursuant to the Lease.

Pursuant to that certain Security Agreement--Trust Deed, dated as of June 1, 2003, between BTM and Wilmington Trust Company, as Security Trustee ("*Security Trustee*"), BTM will grant to the Security Trustee a first priority security interest in, among other things, the *BTM Lease* to secure BTM's obligations under its financing. In addition, BTM and the Security Trustee have requested that AEP collaterally assign its interest in the Lease to BTM to secure AEP's obligations under the *BTM Lease*, which interest will be assigned by BTM to the Security Trustee.

Pursuant to that certain letter agreement dated June __, 2003 between BNSF and AEP (the "*Consent Letter*"), BNSF agreed that, upon receipt of a written request from the Security Trustee, BNSF would make all payments required under the Lease directly to the Security Trustee.

Pursuant to the terms of the *BTM Lease*, the Security Agreement and the Consent Letter, the Security Trustee hereby requests that BNSF makes all payments required from it under the Lease directly to the Security Trustee to the account set forth below:

Name of Bank: Wilmington Trust Company
ABA No.: 031-100-092
Account No.: 61566-0
Reference: AEP Energy Services, Inc.
Attn: Corporate Capital Market Services

EXHIBIT E
(to Railcar Lease and Security Agreement)

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by signing in the space provided below and returning an executed copy to us.

Sincerely,

WILMINGTON TRUST COMPANY, not in its
individual capacity but solely as Security
Trustee

By _____

Wilmington Trust Company, as Security Trustee
Rodney Square North
1100 North Market Street
Wilmington, DE 19890-0001
Attn: Corporate Trust Administration

THE BURLINGTON NORTHERN AND SANFA FE
RAILWAY COMPANY

By _____
Its